

Legislature, there was one, I think, very valuable piece of information that I wanted to pass on to you which I think makes this whole question moot and which I think you should consider. I asked the Governor's office what they would do if the DeCamp amendment stayed on the bill. And the Governor's office indicated that the bill would be vetoed. So there is no point to us proceeding with this discussion, it seems to me, any further, unless there are at least 30 people in here who are interested in this proposition with the DeCamp amendment. And I think as a practical matter we now realize that there are not 30 people so interested, so I would suggest to you that the only practical course at this point in time is to adopt the Chambers amendment to reconsider, to reconsider, drop the DeCamp amendment and get it over to the Governor in the best shape that we can. Thank you.

SENATOR BARRETT: Thank you, Senator Beutler. May I stop for a moment before recognizing Senator Withem as the next speaker to advise you that Senator Nelson has in the south balcony 24 fourth graders from Starr Elementary School in Grand Island and teacher. Would you please stand and be recognized. Also to all members of the Legislature an announcement that we do have 30 students, fifth graders from Hamburg Elementary School in Hamburg, Iowa visiting with us today. They are in the south balcony with their teacher. Would you folks from Hamburg, Iowa please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting the Legislature. Speaker Nichol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I was over in the Governor's office a few minutes when Senator Beutler said what he did, and, Senator DeCamp, would you like to have one-half of my one minute that Senator Withem has given to me?

SENATOR BARRETT: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, it is my understanding that the Governor will veto this, therefore, I am going to support taking the amendment off. I also want to say this was the Governor's Task Force and Congressman Cavanaugh and the others worked diligently to get this work done on behalf of the Governor's Task Force. I simply cannot tolerate, will not tolerate, will not participate any further in this zig-zag, up-down, this budget this day, that one tomorrow,