

commendation of the Commission on Indian Affairs for its past work for the purposes for which it was created. The amendment concerns a matter of retroceding criminal jurisdiction over a reservation. It seems to me to have rather deep and significant effects and consequences. I rule that the amendment is not germane. I'm sorry, Senator DeCamp. The rule is challenged. Senator Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Yes, at this juncture I will challenge the ruling of the Chair. It is absolutely correct that LR 295 is designed as a commendatory or laudatory resolution for the Indian Commission of the State of Nebraska. Let me say, however, that the Indian Commission of the State of Nebraska, while it has been in existence and continues to be in existence has, by resolution, supported retrocession for the Winnebago Indian Tribe. The commission itself has voted on retrocession for the Winnebago Indian Tribe. Therefore, we are simply taking this step, this issue one step further, that is we are lauding a commission that in turn supported retrocession for the Winnebago Tribe, and in our laudatory resolution we are saying you are right and we are permitting retrocession for the Winnebago Tribe. I believe, as I stand here and speak to you, that this is a germane amendment to a laudatory resolution, that is to carry out the work of the commission that we are commending for its work. We are carrying it out by carrying forward with the very task that it memorialized this Legislature to do, that is to let the Indian people go. It is germane.

PRESIDENT: Senator Pappas.

SENATOR PAPPAS: Question.

PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion on the...Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: I would object to calling the question because there has only been one speaker.

PRESIDENT: I'm not going to do that, Senator Pappas. If you want to speak on the point, Senator, go ahead.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Yes, I would. I think, number one, it is clearly not germane, colleagues. This is a simple resolution to commend the Indian Commission. The retrocession resolution was introduced, it was referred to