

committee. Most of you received two days ago the resolution that I was going to offer and I am taking up at this point. We, without any question, have locked horns from both sides of the issue, those who are, I suspect we should say all three sides of the issue, those who would like to see Initiative 300 stay in place exactly as it is intact, the other side, the far distant side of that issue, those who would like a complete repeal, and then I think the large middle group that realize that there at least is a high potential that given the rhetoric that we have heard from both sides, that maybe there should be some kind of a change to Initiative 300 as it is read in the Constitution. So I offer this resolution with an opportunity, given to me the urgency of the problem in that we have a ballot coming up in November and if, in fact, there is any change that's necessary, I think that that should be on the ballot in November. If we find that there is no change, it isn't of any particular consequence. But if we stall during this session, if we take other techniques and then continue to find locked horns in our debate and then come up with no significant movement on one side or the other and then ultimately we do via information that is brought forward through a task force or whatever else and we find that there is a major problem associated with meeting the needs of the citizenry of Nebraska from particularly an economic point of view, we are not going to see another ballot until 1988. So I think it is imperative that during this legislative session that we draw forth some of the specific facts that I believe are already there. Most of the debate is centered around really the emotions that are tied to the issue and there is a lot of us that I think are left a little bit short-suited when it comes to having available facts. I believe those facts are primarily there. I have recommended that the committee originally on the resolution meet on March 1 and I have since filed the request that that be changed to March 14th. That would give us 26 working days, which I know is not a lot of time, but I believe the facts are primarily available, they just have not been all put into the same pile for us to access. We hear all kinds of contradictory facts in terms of what are the... what authority and what techniques and tools does the Attorney General have for the enforcement of what we have? We have been talking about infractions. We are talking about the fact that those really aren't infractions. And I think those facts are readily available. I have also requested that the Executive Board of the Legislature be the entity