

compromise agreed upon by the Judiciary Committee when LB 522 is advanced to the floor. If you'll check your bill book you can see the committee report on that. I think it's a fair thing to do. We'll be giving the political subdivisions what they want by way of Senator Hannibal's amendment. At the same time we'll be extending the claim period for one year to two years, a period of time in which their own citizens, their own citizens have the right to file a claim against their own government. So that's basically what this amendment does. If you have any further questions about it you might read the committee report to the LB 522. I'd be pleased to attempt to answer any questions. I'd ask the adoption of the amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Hannibal.
Senator Hannibal.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Mr. Chairman and members, I rise to oppose the amendment. If you recall the discussion and the voting on the motion of last year, this is exactly the way the bill was amended out of committee and this is why we asked the body to bring the original bill from committee notwithstanding the committee's amendment, the committee's action, because the committee killed this bill in committee, LB 289, last year and amended part of it into this bill as Senator Hoagland was talking about and the major change there of course was this extension from one year to two years for political subdivisions. And I'm opposed and I hope that you will vote down the amendment to extending from one year to two years because in the cases of the federal government, in the case of Nebraska, the State of Nebraska, and the states we have some additional safeguards in it we don't have for political subdivisions. Of course, in the case of the federal government, you're talking about a limitless situation and a very, very large area of bureaucracy that sometimes it can take a long time to get through to the right people and get through these situations so you have a situation where it can be a long process to get through to file a claim against the United States Government. In the State of Nebraska, understand that having the two year situation before a claim is ever settled and before a claim is ever paid out against the State of Nebraska, that claim has to come one place and one place only for final approval and that is right here, right here for 49 people to say that that claim is a reliable claim.