

to whether the issue should be in a separate bill so it can get a "separate court test independent of itself". A court test is the appropriate thing at this moment rather than "submitting it to the people". You don't know if you have anything to submit until you know what is or isn't constitutional. The only way you are going to get that test is to get a court case and this gives you the opportunity to get the court case. By putting it into a separate bill you have accommodated the complaints that I read in editorials and other places about it riding on another bill. It would be strictly its own, it would be strictly in a bill and about all you are doing today, if you do this, is a mechanical procedure to do exactly what people have demanded including people like Senator Hefner which is making the issue rise or fall strictly on its own merits rather than riding on the teachers retirement. So I think Senator Chambers has done us a service. It is not unreasonable to utilize a bill on Final Reading after it has had multitudes of public hearings on the issue, and it has had literally multitudes, and then get it processed for mechanical purposes in this manner.

PRESIDENT: Senator Goodrich. (Gavel.) Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President and members of the body, Senator DeCamp pretty well said it but this whole thing is an attempt to put the legislative retirement plan out by itself so that it is not hampered with nor is it helped by any other subject matter. It is isolated out there by itself to fly or die on its own. Now that is the objective. The second part of the objective is to have a vehicle like Senator DeCamp said so at least it can be tried as far as a decision, a declaratory decision from the Supreme Court to find out what the story is, can we or can't we, that sort of thing at least we have got it out there by itself, though. That is the main objective. That is the sole purpose of this amendment and I would wholeheartedly support the darn thing.

PRESIDENT: Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Question

PRESIDENT: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I'll put the question to you, there are other lights on for speaking. The question is, shall the debate now close on the Chambers motion? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. The motion is to cease debate on the Chambers motion in regard to LB 1129. Please record your vote. Record the vote,