

responsibilities of rearranging now that we have this opportunity under that court order.

SENATOR WARNER: There are no further lights. Senator Hefner, do you wish to close?

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, Senator Schellpeper said this plan is unconstitutional because of a number of reasons. Well, it looks to me like all of LB 614 is unconstitutional. And I think we'll see that as more cases come before the courts. I realize that we're going to try to negate the one court challenge and that's in southwest Nebraska. But there are many that are unconstitutional. He talked about he would be voting for a senator from the 19th District when his district would be in Madison County. Well, how about Richard Peterson right now? Richard Peterson's district is, if I remember correctly, between Omaha and Lincoln. I believe he's representing that. He isn't...or is he still representing Madison County? So it's hard to say. It's a mess. I'll agree to that. And how about Senator Schrock? Who is he representing right now? And who is he going to vote for this fall? I wonder who he voted for in the primary. I'm sure that he voted for...or maybe he was in an even district. But as we compare these maps on the committee amendment map, it looks to me like a lot of gerrymandering has done. Here they go west from Thurston County into Wayne County in a very narrow band to pick up Senator Conway. And I agree he should represent that. But I think if this plan was taken to the court, it would be unconstitutional. And so we can point many of those things out. And one of the things that we shouldn't be doing is gerrymandering to protect an elected senator. So I just say that I believe that my amendment is better than the committee amendments. Senator Conway said that the Supreme Court ordered Madison County to vote this year. Senator Conway, I'd like to have you point out to me in that decision that was handed down by the Supreme Court where it said that. The Attorney General couldn't find it. The Governor couldn't find it and so they asked the district court to make a decision. The district court didn't even say that we had to do this in time so Madison County could vote for a senator this fall. And if you find that, I'd like to see it and would you underline it for me. So we got a lot of problems here. Also, Senator Conway said, well, why don't we just change the district numbers around. Ladies and gentlemen, I'm trying to protect the election process which I feel is a very important process. We're right in the middle of