

probably added more light to this than all the heat that has been added this morning.

**SPEAKER:** Chair recognizes Senator Kremer. We are still discussing the motion to indefinitely postpone L.B. 197.

**SENATOR KREMER:** Mr. Chairman and Members of the Legislature. I think I could best say what I want to say in saying I support the remarks made by Senator Carpenter. I did vote against this bill in committee, the only one that did vote against it because I did not like the open end that the bill provided in its original form. It did include not only schools but it included the ESU's and I would be hopeful we would not kill the bill at this point. I think that if the bracket is on either general file or select file, we will get some response. I think the bill has merits but I could not support the bill in its original form. I do not like the open end.

**SPEAKER:** Is there any further discussion? All right, Senator Kelly, you may close on your motion. Senator Kelly is closing on his motion to indefinitely postpone L.B. 197.

**SENATOR KELLY:** Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. A vote to kill is strictly a vote to postpone changing the law as it is now. The law that we have now gives us the flexibility to lease equipment and lease buildings. You're in a situation where you're building a building and it's not going to be done, you need the space, you can lease the property until your capital construction comes into effect. It's exactly what my colleague, Senator Lewis, desires that school districts do. He would like to see a little longer time. We've debated now for some two hours, going from the 5 years to the 20 years to the 10 years to forever and included in the capital construction ability under the lease agreement is money from the general fund. I sincerely urge that we indefinitely postpone this bill, take the matter up at a more reasonable date when we have input from taxpayers as well as from the professional school people. Please indefinitely postpone 197.

**SPEAKER:** Now, Senator Burbach and Senator Carsten, your lights are on, do you have questions to ask? All right. The question is shall L.B. 197 be indefinitely postponed? All those in favor will vote aye. All those opposed will vote no. The motion is to indefinitely postpone L.B. 197. Have you all voted. Clerk will record.

**CLERK:** 6 ayes, 23 nays, 20 not voting.

**SPEAKER:** Motion is defeated.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, there is a motion on the desk.

**SPEAKER:** Read the motion on the desk;

**CLERK:** Mr. President, I move to amend L.B. 197 (read).

**SPEAKER:** Senator Kelly.

**SENATOR KELLY:** Mr. President, Members of the body. I urge that you support this amendment.

**SPEAKER:** We now have before the body Senator Kelly's motion. Senator Carpenter.