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be there. So the bill come back and up he comes with an amendment that almost rewrites the bill. I object to his returning this for this specific amendment. The bill is in good shape and I think it should continue on its way.

PRESIDENT: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Question of my good friend Senator Lewis. Senator Lewis, you would plead for uniformity as among various classes of state employees. Yet, I believe you are the same man who in yonder week when I plead for uniformity as between outstate teachers and Lincoln and Omaha teachers rather poo-pooed the whole idea of uniformity. I think I would have to support Senator Koch, wouldn't you agree?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Well let me answer with more than a yes or no, Senator Murphy. First of all I think . . .

SENATOR MURPHY: I'd rather have the yes or no.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: First of all I think my good friend was an icy tone but I'd just say to you, Senator Murphy, the same guy that was yelling for a consistency came before our committee and said let's have weekend recreation on Sunday in counties less than 20,000. Maybe you do and maybe you don't. Depends upon which day you're talking about, you being consistent.

SENATOR MURPHY: Just thought I'd remind you of that.

PRESIDENT: Very enlightening. Senator Mills.

SENATOR MILLS: Mr. President, members of the body, I would urge the members of the body to support Senator Koch's amendment. In clarification of Senator Lewis' comments, the teachers of a school district do negotiate for such things as this. I think that you are taking away from the rights of the school boards and the people that are represented by those school boards if you do not support Senator Koch's amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: I think we're discussing the amendment prior to the time that you're going to allow me to move the bill back for specific amendment. I request that we do this.

PRESIDENT: Senator Koch, it's the Chair's observation that that practice goes on constantly and the matter of the amendment is being debated.

SENATOR KOCH: I'm just trying to help you Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: I appreciate that, but . . .

SENATOR KOCH: Then I call for the question.