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suggested to this body last week when we were talking about 344 that this was a foot in the door legislation and by next year we would be back broadening the authority. That was five days ago. I was a little short sighted. I happened three hundred and sixty-one days sooner than I thought it would. I hope we defeat these kinds of amendments.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, I've got a question of somebody. I suppose it ought to be Senator Lewis because it's his bill. Senator Kremer? Good. No, I'd rather argue with you. The question I have is in relationship to the Goodrich amendment. Isn't this supposed to be a statewide bill?

SENATOR KREMER: It's supposed to be a statewide bill. The amendment that Senator Goodrich is just now making is not uncommon. We have degrees of variation in other areas. If he wants it, I'm not going to oppose it.

SENATOR BARNETT: In other words, if they want ten years in Omaha, they can have it. If Lincoln would want twenty years, you wouldn't oppose that either? We could come up and put a twenty year amendment for the Southeast Community. You wouldn't oppose that?

SENATOR KREMER: I have a position I'll take with this. To get the votes to do it, well.....

SENATOR BARNETT: I don't even know if I got the votes except myself. I thought you had something in this bill, and we've talked about this construction amendment before. At a one mill levy with a five year limit and then a vote of the people would let them go ahead and go beyond that. Is that in this bill? Did you take that out of this bill?

SENATOR KREMER: Not a vote of the people. I suppose you could get a vote. The people want, on any general obligation bonds if you want to build a building, well, buy revenue bonds or general obligation bonds. It would have to go to the people.

SENATOR BARNETT: Either one of them.

SENATOR KREMER: Revenue bonds do not have to go to the vote of the people. General obligation bonds do.

SENATOR BARNETT: That's what I mean. That's what I thought. Could I ask Senator Goodrich a question? Senator Goodrich, as far as your amendment is concerned, does that go to the people for a vote or is that given to the power of the board?

SENATOR GOODRICH: I'm not changing that feature of it at all. All I'm changing in my amendment is the actual length of time that the bonds could be issued for. Whatever the