

PRESIDENT: Are we ready to vote? We'll stand at ease then.

CLERK: Mr. President, we've reworded this slightly so that it reads on Page 8, line 19 of the Committee Amendment, after the word "stricken" strike the balance of the line and all of lines 20-26.

PRESIDENT: Any further...Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to ask Senator Reutzel a question, may I? Senator Reutzel, is the main thrust of this amendment to cut the cost of elections to certain subdivisions of government?

SENATOR REUTZEL: It's to clarify the language and if in doing so that would be part of procedure.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Does this mean the ESUs wouldn't pay for their election like school districts in cities and counties?

SENATOR REUTZEL: No, there would be a flat fee of \$50. Are you talking to the amendment now?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: I'm just asking the question if the bill covered that issue.

SENATOR REUTZEL: It would be a flat fee.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: \$50 in Omaha for election?

SENATOR REUTZEL: Flat fee.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Thank you, Senator Reutzel. Senator Reutzel, I'm going to have to rise to oppose this piece of legislation. If we're going to treat all sub-divisions of government alike in terms of payment of fees, that's \$500 for Omaha. I'd like to strike that but I think I'll wait a minute, Mr. President till I get my feet a little further off in mid-air.

PRESIDENT: Senator Reutzel, are you ready to vote on this matter? The question is the adoption of Senator Reutzel's amendment. Record your vote. Have you voted? Record.

CLERK: 10 ayes, 20 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The amendment fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, there is another motion to amend offered by Senator Rasmussen. It's a computer printout, Request No. 2515, minor corrective amendment 9 pages long.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Mr. President, members of the body. I would ask for the adoption of this amendment. It comes about to clarify the election language for the bill that we passed last year to put a...add an extra director on to the MUD Board in Omaha. I don't remember the bill but this is needed in order to clarify the election language so that he can be elected.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of Senator Rasmussen's amendment. Senator Chambers.