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LB 421, 465

In the South balcony from Senator Maresh's district are twenty one sixth graders and Elva Morrow the teacher from Friend Public School, Friend, Nebraska. Would you raise your hands and show us where you are so we can say hello to you. Welcome to the Unicameral. 465, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read title to LB 465.) The bill was first read on January 17. It was referred to the Government Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. There are committee by Senator Keyes' Government Committee.

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. Speaker, the amendments to this are very simple. They just change the word "voter" to "electors" in two different places and they said, also we added persons who are not previously registered. I move for the adoption of the amendments and then Senator Burrows will explain his bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 465. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the committee amendments to LB 465. The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments. Senator Kahle, did you want to speak to the committee amendments? Senator Lamb, do you want to speak to the bill itself? Okay. We are voting on the adoption of the committee amendments to 465. Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Burrows, do you wish to speak on the bill itself?

SENATOR BURROWS: Yes. Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, LB 465 was advanced to the floor of the Legislature with five votes in favor, one passing and two absent. LB 465 is a bill that will allow registration of voters on election day but will not allow those registered at the polling place to vote on that day. They could vote then in a subsequent election. It in no way jeopardizes the accountability of our registration process by allowing them only to register that day and I think it is the cheapest possible way that we can go out and provide accessibility to registrations across the state when we already have personnel out there working under the County Clerk's office. Now there was an A bill or the A bill is a cost impact bill really to the local subdivisions. I believe this is entirely too high and I will offer amendments to restrict it to use existing