

SPEAKER NICHOL: Half a minute.

SENATOR DECAMP: ...a lot of people have been contacted by this side or that side and said, well, we committed to straighten this error out, we committed to the accountants to get it straightened out and support the amendment and then maybe they got the suggestion which I even have heard in the past and maybe have followed its song and that is, well, if this was scheduled right after lunch and we had a quick vote, a quick vote, call of the house and quick vote, and you just didn't happen to be there, nobody could hardly fault you for that, could they? I noticed the Chairman of Ag who has been diligently ushering this through hasn't been able to make it back yet and I...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time is up.

SENATOR DECAMP: ...am wondering how many others are still gone. Maybe we could get an accounting on that.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time is up. Senator Morehead is next but may I please introduce two guests of students. Senator Cal Carsten has 35 high school students from Weeping Water, Nebraska. They are the Government and Modern Problems class and their teacher. Would you folks please stand. And Senator Chronister has guests in the south balcony, it says south balcony, I don't...yes, I guess that is right, they are 32 fourth graders from Stanton Elementary School in Stanton, Nebraska and their teacher. Would you folks please stand. Thank you. Senator Morehead, please.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Mr. President and members of the body, I did make it back in time for the vote, Senator DeCamp, but I did miss part of Senator Remmers' explanation of the committee amendments. So if I make a misstatement, Senator Remmers, well, I will rely upon you to correct that for me. Thank you. As I understand this amendment, it does loosen the requirements for those people who are doing auditing work or auditing type of work or book work or compilation of figures as would apply to any number of types of businesses and entities. But most specifically in my particular district I have seen two cases and one very recently in which the audits in the books of a large grain elevator were not handled properly, were not done by a qualified CPA...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Excuse me, Senator Morehead. (Gavel.) Could we please have the conversation level down so we can hear the speakers. Thank you.