

limitations. The idea behind this is that we're making our system as uniform as possible and that it will be better for the citizens of our state that we have more of a uniform system of statute of limitations, and that's the philosophy behind it, an easier system for our citizens. And with that, I guess we can go to the amendment that's on the desk.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Mr. Clerk, I understand there is an amendment on the desk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: There is, Mr. President, Senators Lindsay and Abboud have an amendment that was printed on page 283. I understand they want to withdraw that and offer AM2706. (AM2706 appears on page 288 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Is this the substitution? Request unanimous consent for a substitution. If there is no objection, it will be so ordered. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes, Mr. President and colleagues, this amendment, as I stated, provides for removal of political subdivisions from the bill and what this particular amendment is, we had the amendment drafted which is in your, in the Journal, but we were looking it over and it hadn't been drafted by bill drafting, so that's what the substitute amendment is. You can go to the Journal page and essentially follow the same amendment. What we're amending in LB 262 is the committee amendment which was adopted when this issue was taken up last year. The bill itself was...became the committee amendment and so we are amending onto the committee amendment. So if you look at the amendment that's in the Journal, you have to first look to the committee amendment that was adopted and that is the bill and the bill is relatively simple in that it changes the statute of limitations in actions against the State of Nebraska from two to four years, and that's the change in total. I'll be happy to answer any questions about the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Discussion on the Abboud amendment, Senator Kristensen and then Senator Moore.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, LB 262 is not a good bill, this amendment is not a good amendment and I'd urge the Legislature to pay careful attention because this is going to be a prelude of several other bills. In fact, that's the reason this bill was really