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when practical, as well as county lines, and also to preserve core populations of districts. Now, granted that what I've just said might make the greatest rational sense in the world, now, politically, some people might not buy it. That's fine. But I would encourage your vote, not based on the individuals involved in this but based on the sound policy. The policy is, is that we're reuniting counties as a whole, we're reuniting precincts as a whole to make it easily identifiable for voters, and we're also making the deviations closer to zero. Granted, we have a 5 percent deviation but, given the opportunity to go to zero or as close to that as possible, I think we should take a shot at it. So that's what I'm encouraging here. There are going to be a number of ideas talked about today in redistricting not only with Omaha senators but with congressional. I mean, not everyone is going to be happy. I understand that. I think this is four out of five.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR ERDMAN: We're talking about 80 percent approval rating on this amendment here as far as what they get. And I would encourage our friends in the state of Nebraska as they look at the fairness of this map and understanding the fairness of what they would expect in their area, that they would consider giving a green vote to AM2095 and following the guidelines that are presented in LR 7, which gives us the guidelines for redistricting in the state of Nebraska. I don't think I can make a more compelling argument, I really don't. I've done my best to work with all involved. I worked with Senator Wickersham prior to Redistricting Committee. We got a plan that I don't think fairly represents our area in the state of Nebraska. I obliged to put it on Select File, which was something that I willingly did to be able to have more compromise. So here we are. Go on the merits. Go on the reason why we should adopt this based on the precinct line, based on getting close to zero as possible...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time.

SENATOR ERDMAN: ...for the deviation on AM2095. Thank you.