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with Omaha reaching our, you know, jurisdiction limits anyway.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But some of these other cities would have available to them some expansion territory.

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: Yes, the would, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think it's good to have wards get larger and populations greater without increasing the number of wards so that there might be more equitable representation?

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: I would see no problem in leaving it at three wards as long as you still have equal representation, and this bill would leave that wide open so they can do that if they want to do it. It just puts the...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you know...do you know whether any of the cities which under the current law must have four wards at least when they move from second class to first class, which have only one representative from each ward?

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: I do not know that. I know only Elkhorn's situation.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And we're changing the law because the cities just don't want to...they don't want to do anything different from what they're doing now, is that true?

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: That's true.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Pedersen.

SENATOR COORDSEN PRESIDING

SENATOR COORDSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, then I'll continue. I thought my time was just about up. Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I say again that district elections is an issue that I have a great amount of interest in and in some cases a concern. From having listened to Senator Dwite Pedersen, I can