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LB 525

SENATOR SIECK: Yes, Senator Wagner, I am real disappointed that Omaha takes this position because we did work with the city attorney on this and they felt that this would be workable and now we hear other cities are trying to get out also.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Venditte, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR VENDITTE: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I know there are many of my colleagues here on the floor this morning who have similar concerns as I have but my amendment does not include those concerns which you may have in your particular city. Senator Nichol has an amendment on the desk this morning which would include all cities and, of course, my amendment just simply deals with the cities of the metropolitan class which is only Omaha. So with that in mind, I am going to withdraw my amendment and take up the Nichol amendment which I think is all-inclusive. So with that, Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw the Venditte motion to return.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Venditte has withdrawn, is temporarily withdrawing his amendment. The Chair recognizes, Mr. Clerk, do you want to read Senator Nichol's amendment?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Nichol moves to return LB 525 to Select File for specific amendment: Read Nichol amendment as found on pages 447 and 448, Legislative Journal.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, as I was saying a little bit ago, this bill takes away the authority of zoning commissions and city officials, all authority, for these types homes. I agree with Senator Sieck, I think these should be in residential homes. My amendment will make them be in residential districts, I should say, should be in residential districts, my amendment will make them be in residential districts, and since the city council and the zoning commission must provide areas in Class I districts, this doesn't hurt the bill a bit but it still allows the local authorities some control in zoning and I don't think this body should be taking away zoning authority from zoning committees and city councils. So I heartily encourage you to vote for this amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to bring the bill back from Final Reading for a specific amendment. The specific amendment has been read. Now we are now speaking to the Nichol