

before you. Senator Schmit last year introduced a proposal that dealt with revising the penalties having to do with these various drugs, and at the time, the Nebraska State Patrol, as well as the Lancaster County Attorney's Office, had an opportunity to impact on that particular proposal. Now there was nothing definitive established at that time and it was decided subsequently that we would address this issue during the interim which the Judiciary Committee did through LR 104. Now hearings on this issue in particular were held throughout the state. The Nebraska State Patrol chemist had an opportunity to comment on some of the amounts that are being specified here that Senator DeCamp expressed concern with, so there were some individuals with expertise that did consider this proposal. Additionally, in increasing penalties having to do with increasing the period of time to twenty years, that did not deal with an individual that was selling a lid or a small amount of marijuana but only with those that were dealing with this substance in more than one pound. Now the fifty years, one to fifty years, that was commented on here earlier, deals specifically not with marijuana and those that are considered less dangerous drugs but rather those that are considered extremely dangerous, those of a narcotic nature. So what I would say in talking on this amendment or rather not amendment but motion to re-refer this particular item is that I feel it has been appropriately addressed through the hearing process last year, through the hearings that were held on the resolution this interim and it is really not necessary to do so again at this time.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I am one of those in here that believes kind of in the sporting theory. In other words, unless I can prove somebody wrong, I will pretty much accept what they say. Now, Senator Reutzel, I would like you to take the time to come to your microphone and my good friend Senator Stoney and any, any, any member of the Judiciary Committee. I submit that you do not know what you are doing with this particular amendment and I intend to stand here and prove it, and if I am right and if I can prove it, then I think that is grounds enough for sending it back to committee. If I am wrong, if I can't prove it, I will just stand up here and apologize and say let's move the bill on. Senator Reutzel stood and said that I was wrong, that we were only talking about a pound, a pound or more. Here is my allegation. You tell me where I am wrong, Senator Nichol, or any member of the committee. I submit to you that the way