

any purpose lease beyond one year. We cannot bind the State of Nebraska to a lease or any other contractual arrangement beyond one year. Every Legislature has to renew the lease arrangement. That is the situation we are in under any circumstance. So no matter what we put in there that would be the situation that we would have to renegotiate each year. So this basically says that as we go through that annual negotiation, which would just basically be the same lease arrangement, I would hope, reaffirmed by the next Legislature, that that would have to be at \$1.00 a year which is what we have been promised would be the lease cost to the State of Nebraska. So that is the reason that is in there. It doesn't open up a loophole. It doesn't let a tank drive through for renegotiation and charges for other things. That is not the case at all. This is... this does put restrictions down that have been talked about and I think that if we are going to protect the taxpayers of this state, if we are going to protect the State of Nebraska in this obligation that it looks like we are going to be undertaking, then let us put this in the law so we are going to be sure that the arrangement we are going to be working out is one that is to the benefit of the state, and not to the benefit of any special group. So, I urge your support. It does not hurt the present proposal and it would just protect the state.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is on the adoption of the Wesely amendment to LB 184. All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Wesely, there are three excused. Okay, record the vote.

CLERK: 6 ayes, 20 nays on the motion to adopt, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion lost.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Fitzgerald, do you wish to advance the bill?

SENATOR FITZGERALD: Mr. Speaker, I move to advance LB 184 to E & R Final.

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

SENATOR WESELY: Just one final comment. I will be very brief. I oppose this bill. I will probably be about the only one in the Legislature that does. There is strong support for this legislation from the veterans groups in the state. I have incurred their wrath and I understand their concern about this