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vote for this amendment. I think I am going to support this amendment but I think some of the reasons Senator Fowler gave were not the reasons I am going to support this amendment. I think we are kind of changing the rules in the middle of the stream. I think it should not affect existing pending applications.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, then, for example, you would perhaps agree with me that this amendment will limit the Department of Banking (interruption) to make a decision?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Thirty seconds.

SENATOR DWORAK: Yes, that is the only thing that bothers me a little bit, why put a limitation in there. I have, you know, like 319, I think you did an admirable job of giving the Director of Corrections all the flexibility he needs to run the department. Now here in this situation we are taking one option away from Paul Amen and his Banking Department in adjudicating whether another charter should or should not be granted and I don't think we should do that.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Senator Dworak. Sometime when you speak I want to use some of your time, also, but you answered my question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kahle, we are speaking to the Fowler amendment.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, members, it even gets more difficult when you have to agree with Fowler, and my good friend Murphy and Schmit and maybe even DeCamp. So it really is difficult this morning but all I want to say is that I support the Fowler amendment. I think it is a good amendment. I think it keeps the competition fair and I am very much in favor of 491. I hope this will help to help it gain some momentum and pass.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Before we put the vote, it is my privilege underneath the South balcony as guests of Senator Shirley Marsh to introduce, first of all, Dr. Giuseppe Marra who is a Journalist from Rome, Italy and Emilio Catalano who is an Interpreter and Elaine Hawco from Lincoln, Nebraska. Would you three please stand so we may recognize you? Senator Fowler, I recognize you to close on your amendment.

SENATOR FOWLER: Well, seeing the diverse group of people that are backing this and some of their comments, I am

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