SENATOR V. JOHNSON: All right, thank you very much.

SPEAKER MARVEL: There is an amendment on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Rumery moves to amend the Wesely motion by striking the provision of 2/3 of the Board members voting and inserting a majority of the members of the Board.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Rumery.

SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we have drifted into this system of providing for elections and so forth in our republic and we brag about how the majority rules in all areas of this government of ours and yet we will put on these restrictions of more than a majority which in most cases provides the fact that the minority actually rules. Therefore, I move that we strike the two-thirds requirement of the Board and insert the provision for a majority of the Board.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are about to discuss the Rumery amendment to the Wesely amendment to 178 (sic). Senator Haberman. Senator Haberman, do you wish to address yourself to the Rumery amendment to the Wesely amendment?

SENATOR HABERMAN: I will address myself to the Rumery amendment, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Senator Vickers, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Vickers, the reason for the bill, doesn't the amendments proposed undo some of the reasons for the bill?

SENATOR VICKERS: No, the Wesely amendment as drafted doesn't, Senator Haberman. The reasons for the bill were to make sure that contracts or monies expended by the districts were expended only after a serious attempt was made to get the best possible use of those monies and I think the amendment as proposed by Senator Wesely is in good conscience offering an amendment that would, in fact, strengthen the bill.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Doesn't the amendment cut out the local contractors because the board can go ahead and do this on their own? In your bill, they couldn't?

SENATOR VICKERS: No, the amendment doesn't.