

There will be many speeches made here that are going to be better than the ones I give you. I hope that you listen to the argument, the argument as to whether or not one area gains, another loses at that one's expense. At some point in time, I think that it has been stated, and Senator DeCamp has been very articulate on this, it all kind of averages out. Rural will gain one area and we lose another. I pointed out on LB 30 yesterday or several days ago, which is very strongly supported by a number of rural senators, the principal beneficiary of that at a ratio of about 70 to 1, Butler County versus Douglas County, is Douglas County. There are some reasons why, there are some reasons why that may be equitable. But the point that I want to make is this. At some point and time someone will have to go back to their own legislative district and explain why they voted for the DeCamp amendment. I went to Senator DeCamp's district one time and made a speech there. I wasn't exactly treated with a red carpet when I rolled in there. In fact, as I recall the gentleman who picked me up at the airport suggested that I leave the engine run on the airplane, because I would have to leave in a hurry. If I go back to O'Neill again now and give a speech for Senator DeCamp and they begin to ask me why Senator DeCamp proposed those amendments when it was very damaging to his own area, I will be hard pressed to explain it. Expedite the bill, if it is inequitable? I don't think so. It is the only solution? Obviously not. What other reason? Well, I don't know. The point that I want to make is this. There are a few counties, not mine, a few legislative districts, again not mine, who are going to suffer as a result of the DeCamp amendments. If it were your county, if it were Senator Labeledz's district or Senator Higgins district or Senator Carsten's district, I think that they would feel as I feel, especially if they had been responsible for some of the problems, and I freely accept that responsibility. But at some point and time someone is going to have to say we did this to that district and we didn't care. Under my proposal we did this to that district and it was the best we could do. As I explained to Senator Nichol if there was a better way to mitigate the impact upon his county or if there was a better way to mitigate the impact upon Hall County, I would be all for it. My proposal, minimizes the bad impact as much as possible. Oh yes, it doesn't give Sarpy County the 2½ million that the DeCamp proposal gives them, but it gives them a million three which isn't all bad, when you have been getting about 400 thousand. You could probably live with that for a year or so. A lot better, Senator DeCamp, than Holt County can live with the tremendous shellacking it is going to take under your proposal. I am not questioning why you are doing it. I'm just laying out for the record, what is happening, why I oppose the proposal and what I have offered in its place.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have 30 seconds.