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has done a good job in not splitting counties any more than necessary and I think it is ridiculous for people to start out here in the floor trying to satisfy local constituent areas in drawing the lines out here on the floor without the people that are being moved having an opportunity of testifying at a public hearing. So I oppose the Maresh amendment.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Kahle, did you wish to speak to the Maresh amendment?

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, I would like to try the question again.

SENATOR NICHOL: I believe you were the last one on the Maresh amendment. Senator Maresh, did you wish to close, Senator Maresh?

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, just that if we are going to split one county, I can't see anything wrong with splitting a second county. And this where the first county was...Cass County was split by the committee, so I can't see why they would object to splitting a second county, and many times redistricts are redrawn right here on the floor of the Legislature. Ten years ago this took place and I can't see anything wrong with redrawing the lines now so that is my closing. Thank you.

SENATOR NICHOL: The question is we are voting on the Maresh amendment which is an amendment to the amendment so it would require a simple majority. All those in favor of the Maresh amendment to the amendment vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Senator Maresh, what do you say? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 5 ayes, 21 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to adopt.

SENATOR NICHOL: The amendment to the amendment fails. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Carsten would now move to amend the committee amendments. (Read amendment found on page 2080, Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, you have now decided to just split one county and that county is mine, and if you think the Miscellaneous