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amendment, and then we can argue the merits of the proposal.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, in looking this bill over and discussing it with the City Manager, I find that it still costs the city of Scottsbluff \$139,000 each year, for the first year rather, and with the escalation of prices it would be over \$139,000 a year, and I find it difficult to support the bill even with the amendments or without. But I suggest to you if you have a city of the first class in your district, you have a look at what it is going to cost that city before you make up your mind. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? Senator Cope. Senator Fowler, you have introduced your amendment, have you not, so we really technically can be discussing the amendment to the committee amendment. So, Senator Cope, did you wish to speak to the amendment to the committee amendment, or to the committee amendment? Okay, we are talking about the amendment to the committee amendments right now. Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise to support the bill and the amendments to it. I retain my membership on the Retirement Committee every year so that I am there to vote against Senator Fowler's elaborate retirement programs, and this is one... probably one of the only bills all year long that I felt in good conscience and looking at the economy of the state and the political subdivisions that I could vote for, so that should tell you something about the bill.

PRESIDENT: All right, anything further? Senator Fowler, I guess you can close on the amendment to the committee amendment.

SENATOR FOWLER: This amendment to the committee amendment is simply a technical change to bring back in conformity the proper age for...bring this statute in conformity with the other statutes as far as retirement age for police. And it is technical and just needs to be in there to clean up the bill.

PRESIDENT: All right, so the motion is the adoption of the Fowler amendment to the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.