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you want and yet you do not have a copy of it for us?

SENATOR WESELY: If you want a copy just walk right over, Shirley. It is right here.

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Wesely, I would think if you really wanted it you would want us to be informed about it.

SENATOR WESELY: If you wanted to be informed you could walk right over...(interruption.)

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, last year Senator Hoagland had a bill in here that had to do with redistricting of Supreme Court judges districts and we finally wound up putting it to a vote of the people and they voted against such a bill. Now what I want to know is, is this the same bill or something similar to it? Either, Senator Hoagland or Senator Wesely.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Wesely, will you answer the question?

SENATOR NICHOL: The question is, last year Senator Hoagland had a bill that kind of gerrymandered around Omaha so that Omaha would have two Supreme Court judges and we put it to a vote of the people and they voted no and I want to know if this is similar to that bill.

SENATOR WESELY: The similarity is that essentially we would have two Supreme Court justices for each of the three congressional districts but unlike that proposal they would not be at large within the congressional district. There would be two distinct sections of the congressional district that would be divided so there is a difference but it is similar.

SENATOR NICHOL: How is it similar?

SENATOR WESELY: Again, with the six seats that we would have on the Supreme Court, the proposal was to have two from each of the three congressional districts and with this map essentially you would have two from each of the three congressional districts.

SENATOR NICHOL: Why don't we just leave this bill the way the committee came out with it?

SENATOR WESELY: Well, then you have got some districts that do not make a lot of sense I guess. That would be my position.