

so there can be no mistake, and another amendment deals with a repealer section and that is all we done with our amendments and I ask for the adoption of those amendments and then we will talk about the bill after it has been amended. We will get to the questions of Senator Remmers and others.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kremer, did you want to talk on this? All right. Is there any further discussion on the committee amendments as amended? If not, all those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. It takes 25 votes. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Committee amendments are adopted. Senator Koch on the bill.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Before I get into the major aspects of this bill, I want to emphasize one thing. This is not an indirect way to reorganize school districts. I want that emphasized. It deals only with individuals, people with children in terms of an educational issue so let's put that aside and talk about the value of the freeholding and some of the problems that have accrued over the past several years or longer than that, actually. What we did after hearing a considerable amount of testimony, and I want you to know if you look your book, you will see that there were some opponents. By the amendments that we offered we removed the objections to the original proposal by Mrs. Quiring, and by John Brogan who is an attorney, by Galen Friesen, Susan Fredricks and the Devenys from around Ayr, Nebraska. They now are in favor of the bill as amended because those people have been around for a number of years visiting with the committee on how they can resolve some problems. Now what we are doing is we are saying when you freehold, you can freehold from a I to a II to a III and to a VI and we are also saying that you can freehold out of a II to a III. We are also saying that you can freehold out of a III to a III. Now we are talking about accredited. Now then we will get to the question Senator Remmers asked me a moment ago. If I live in a III, and he is using...well, in this case I think they are Class IIs, aren't they, Senator Remmers...a II and a III? All right, Humboldt and Pawnee? They are both IIIs, so if I am a parent living in Humboldt and I file a freehold, I am going to first of all have to make some filings with the State Board of Education. That is the new part of the bill. And then the burden is on me as a parent. I am saying I believe that I can prove to you that Pawnee City has a better program and opportunities for my child or children than does