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back to the committee. The committee adopted those amendments and essentially the amendments do this. They make SID elections in Douglas County the responsibility of the Election Commissioner. That was with the approval of the county board there at the behest of Lee Terry, the Election Commissioner, and with the approval of Senators Hoagland, Newell and the interested members of the committee. I am going to move at this time to accept the committee amendments that were prepared for last year. They will not be the amendments that we inevitably add to this bill. What I want to ask the body to do is accept the committee amendments, move the bill to Select File, on Select File the amendments that I just described to you will be offered as an alternative and then at that point will clean up the bill. It is simply that because of the ten day bill drafting series of tasks to be done, we could not get the errors in the committee bill drafted quickly enough to have them available. I apologize to the body, but I assure you that this will meet with everyone's approval, and to that end could I ask Senator Newell if he would yield to a question?

PRESIDENT: Senator Newell, will you respond to Senator Landis?

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Newell, in the event the amendments which place the obligation to prepare and carry out SID elections in Douglas County is given to the Election Commissioner and if those amendments are made available on Select File, is that acceptable to you as introducer of those amendments, and are you prepared to have the bill go forward to Select File at this point?

SENATOR NEWELL: I am, Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Fenger, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR FENGER: If I can.

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Fenger, knowing the committee has taken action on this and that you have the good faith of the committee to accept those committee amendments, in the event we delay until Select File their ultimate approval, would that procedure meet with your approval?

SENATOR FENGER: Senator Landis, your explanation was perfect and I think every member of the committee concurs with every word you have spoken this morning.