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LB 672

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, very simply these all relate to the same thing. I think we can spend two more days. We have spent half of yesterday on it, spend today and tomorrow on one small area, and each deal with separate kill motion amendments and each one will be going on forever here. Since I have got to think that eventually you are going to have to put these together in some form or other, I suggest we get it over with now and deal with them all at once. And so my amendment is very simple. I just take the one we advanced and the one that is coming after 672 and 672, package them up together and deal with them as one issue. I think you ought to do it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Landis, did you wish to address the... did you wish to address yourself to the DeCamp amendment?

SENATOR LANDIS: I do.

PRESIDENT: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: LB 706 is my own bill. It is the one that comes up after 672. It is the enterprise zone concept and I object to the DeCamp amendment. It is not because I don't think it makes for healthy packaging, it does. And there are ways in which these can be bound together. I would agree that 672, Senator Goodrich's bill, and either 634 or 706 probably makes sense. However, you have in LB 634 and LB 706 two different financing methods, and I don't think it is fair to ask the voters to approve two separate financing mechanisms at one time. Now the technical changes in essence that Senator Goodrich proposes probably make sense in connection with either of those two bills. I have no qualms with being the odd man out on 706, but what does not seem fair to me, what I have objected to from those who suggested this packaging from day one, and this packaging by the way has been discussed as long ago as three months when the Urban Affairs Committee met in Omaha and heard the testimony of the Omaha departments, I object to two different financing methods being put into one constitutional amendment and giving people one chance to vote. I don't mind if those provisions are put into Senator Newell's bill or Senator Newell's bill is put into Senator Goodrich's bill, or Senator Goodrich's bill and my own bill are merged, but what is incompatible is merging LB 634 and LB 706. Those two have to do with two different kinds of financing and although they ultimately serve the same purpose, it