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CLERK: 6 ayes, 19 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Warner's motion.

SENATOR CLARK: Motion lost. Senator Lamb, on the issue.

SENATOR LAMB: I believe the amendment has been pretty well discussed.

SENATOR CLARK: Wait, he has to read it first. All right. Senator Beutler, did you want to withdraw your amendment? All right. We will read Senator Lamb's amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lamb would move to amend the resolution by striking the original RESOLVE, paragraphs 1, 2, and 4 and insert the following: That the Legislative Public Works Committee be charged with conducting an indepth investigation and study of the entire area and spectrum of bid rigging and to include a determination whether there was participation by any state employees or publicly elected officials at any level of government and to determine whether there was a de facto participation or allowance of the Nebraska bid rigging by a lack of adequate supervision. 2. That the Legislature's Executive Board shall provide all assistance as the Executive Board deems necessary and proper, and in RESOLVE 3, in the first line strike "this investigative committee" and insert "Public Works Committee".

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I believe the amendment has been quite thoroughly discussed. I would only hasten to add that there will be other people, if other legislators are interested in serving with the committee, it is not our intention to preclude them but the basic responsibility does remain with the Public Works Committee. However, there have been some other legislators that have indicated interest in the committee and every effort will be made to make the meetings available to them and they certainly will be welcome. I ask that the amendment be adopted.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Chambers on the amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I can understand the rationale for saying that the Public Works Committee should be the one to undertake this study because the subject matter falls within the province of that committee. However, this is different from a legislative bill. We are dealing with a situation that impacts on everybody and every community perhaps throughout the state.