

Someone said the laws shouldn't be made...there should be no exceptions for minorities. Somewhere in my history lesson I learned the laws have usually been made to protect the minorities, to offer them some protection. One last plea and then I am going to sit down. I would hope that you would not adopt this amendment and if you choose not to accept LR 4, so be it, but I came here probably as an innocent legislator trying to arrive at some kind of a compromise for a grace period and obviously innocence doesn't get you too far. So, ladies and gentlemen and Mr. Chairman, I ask you not to adopt this amendment and vote on LR 4 as it is, up or down, and then the people who believe in these Christian schools will have a credible message from us. That is all we should give them, yes or no, and no other amendments. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: The Chair recognizes Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. Speaker, Senators, we are speaking now to the Cullan amendment?

SENATOR CLARK: We are speaking to the Hoagland amendment.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I really had my light on to speak to the resolution.

SENATOR CLARK: Alright. Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. President. I am hopeful that I can speak to both because I don't want to turn on my light again for the resolution. I totally agree with Sam Cullan and Peter Hoagland and Landis on what they are saying our authorities should do but I think what we are doing here is telling them that they have not been enforcing the law as enacted by the Legislature of the State of Nebraska. I don't think this amendment is necessary because we expect, and I'm sure the people of the State of Nebraska expect, the law enforcement agencies of the state to enforce all the laws regardless as they say, of well privileged class, race, religion or any other special classifications. As to the resolution that Senator Koch introduced, nowhere in the resolution do I see where we are asking them to violate or not enact the laws. We are just telling them that they should consider that the Legislature intends to address and resolve the conflict. In no place in any section do they say that we should violate the law. It just gives the intent of the Legislature and we have done that on numerous occasions when we are enacting legislation giving then at that time, the intent of the Legislature. But I certainly can't see anywhere in the resolution where we are asking the law enforcement agencies to violate the laws of the State of Nebraska other than to consider and I would like to ask anyone of the attorneys, Senator Landis,