

in a larger than that, if you want, but those are the general format of style we want. I think that it's fair to say that this is directed, at least, towards the newspapers, certainly arguably. Third, the issue on whether or not the paper is constitutionally somehow limited here, I think, is answerable by the fact that the paper has the right to say no, we're not going to take this ad. In other words, the state can't force the paper to print anything it doesn't want to print. Now the question then becomes the Schmit question. What happens if a paper chooses not to? The law here has a general goal of what is called "reasonable notice", not actual notice, which is where you get a letter in the mail, but reasonable notice. And reasonable notice varies under conditions. What your general obligation is to have a paper of general circulation in the county. If you don't have a paper in your county, you go to the next county that can provide that. If you can't do that, you do a general statewide paper. But as conditions vary, what becomes reasonable changes. It seems to me that there be... I don't think we're at a hang-up here if, for some reason, the papers stop choosing to do this. At this point, I'd suggest we do this, adopt this amendment, pass the statute onto the next level. We're going to have a week, that is certainly going to give the Press Association time to dig up, and they've got a very fine legal staff available to the Media of Nebraska, I think is their political arm, to come down here. We all know Alan Peterson, a charming fellow and a fine lawyer. My guess is, if there is a constitutional argument, Alan will find it between now and Select File and we'll have a chance to see where we lay in a week's time. I'd urge adoption of the amendment, advancement of the bill today. And, remember that this process we have is a winnowing down, we can use the deliberation over time to improve a bill. This is not a final issue today, we'll have a chance to take a look at it in a week's time. Thank you.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Thank you, Senator Landis. The question is the adoption of the Landis amendment to the Haberman amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Landis's amendment.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: The amendment is adopted. Back to the bill. Or, do you have anything further on the desk, Mr. Clerk? Is there anything further on the bill, Mr. Clerk?