

was brought by the City Council.

SENATOR WESELY: Oh, I understand that, but I'm saying, I know in Lincoln the school board races are tied into the council races and I'm just wondering what impact there would be with this.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, that's not...the Omaha School Board races are not tied into that, they run at the time other people run.

SENATOR WESELY: Oh, okay. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hartnett, please.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President and members of the body, if I could ask Senator Chambers a question. I think he answered it but I just simply...you will not change the odd year election, is that correct, in this bill, Senator Chambers?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You're right, I did answer that.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yeah. (Laughter.)

SENATOR CHAMBERS: It doesn't change...

SENATOR HARTNETT: I guess that's what I see as the problem is that you get a low turnout, I think you addressed it a little bit to Senator Wesely, a low turnout, and I think it's because of the odd year and the time of the election.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, but the fact that the mayor and these other council members run, the city elections are at that odd year, that was not being changed in this bill because that could raise an issue apart from merely eliminating the stagger. That issue would be whether or not city offices running at the same time as these other what some people perceive more important, significant offices would cause the city offices to get lost in the shuffle. That would be an issue that is not touched in this bill and I don't want that to be touched so I wouldn't even consider it at this time.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, would you like to close? Okay. The question is the advancement of LB 165. All those in favor