

have a different form of government but the statutes concerning the elections will be the same. Actually there were two places in the statutes now that Nebraska City was attempting to follow. This clarifies which ones of those statutes that they would follow for their election process.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Baack, please.

SENATOR BAACK: Yes. Mr. President and members, I rise in support of LB 327. The only concern that the committee had when we heard the bill was that it would not harmonize well with the election law study that we're doing. We have run this bill by Steve Wiitala, whose doing our election study, and he said that it harmonizes very well with the other changes that we're looking at. So, I think it will fit in well with all the other things we're doing with the election law changes. So I would urge your advancement of the bill.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Wehrbein, did you wish to close?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Nothing more than just to say that the reason for this bill this year is the fact that next year, at this time, when they will be having an election it was important to have that done at this time rather than wait a year when all the other adjustments were going to be evidently made in the election laws. Nebraska City, at this time of year, would be in an election process and would appreciate having it done this year rather than waiting until next. So, otherwise I urge your support. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 327.

PRESIDENT: LB 327 advances. We'll take up LB 408, but may I introduce some guests of Senator Coordsen, please. In the north balcony, we have eight high school seniors from Exeter, Nebraska and their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be recognized by your Legislature. Thank you for visiting us this morning. LB 408.

CLERK: LB 408, Mr. President, offered by Senator Barrett,