

Senator Chambers is on this matter. I just think it is a bad policy and that is why I am going to vote against the bill unless this amendment is adopted.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I'm proud of Senator Moore this morning. After all of the years he has been here and I've worked and I've tried to put some spine into him, it is finally taking effect. I have seen him cower. I have seen him lick the boots of various special interest groups and I hope that the strength that I have inculcated down through the years will carry over onto other significant issues where there will be far more pressure than anything that can be asserted by the Omaha City Council. But I'd like to ask Senator Moore a question, and, Senator Moore, this is a serious question now, apart from the other. Isn't the county board of which your city is a county elected by a district?

SENATOR MOORE: By district?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, county board, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Would you support electing the county board of Douglas County by district?

SENATOR MOORE: I...as far as...I don't know.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Aha!

SENATOR MOORE: I think so, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Good policy, but when it comes to something that the county board might oppose, then we're not so sure that the policy is that good, huh? Or that that is a reason to vote that way?

SENATOR MOORE: I'm saying the policy of staggered elections is what I'm talking about.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think the policy of district election is good? Do you think it ensures that certain powerful interest