

amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The motion fails. Before proceeding to the next amendment, incidentally, the call is raised. Senator Landis is announcing the fact that he has 78 guests in the north balcony, fourth graders from Belmont Elementary School here in Lincoln with their teacher, Mrs. Alice Keller. Would you folks please stand. Thank you. We're pleased to have you visiting the Legislature this morning. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lamb would move to amend the committee amendments. I have AM470 before me, Senator.

SENATOR LAMB: I believe I would withdraw that one and go on to the next one, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lamb would move to amend the committee amendments. Senator, I have AM...well, it's found on page 814 of the Journal, Senator.

SENATOR LAMB: 473, right?

CLERK: Yes.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lamb.

CLERK: With the change.

SENATOR LAMB: This amendment has to do with the ineligibility for transferring students to participate in athletics. Under the committee amendment, a transferring student is ineligible for 90 school days which is about half the year. This does not make a lot of sense to me because if you have a track star, he's not ineligible at all because he is eligible for the first year. If you have a football star, he is ineligible because football season happens to come early in the school year. So to say that 90 days is the magic number does not make a lot of sense. It depends on how lucky you are and what season your sport happens to be that whether or not you're affected if you're a student that wants to transfer for athletic purposes. So it inserts...the amendment inserts one school year in the place of the 90 school days and it also says that this waiting period shall not apply if the resident school district and the option school district have joint teams. There are some areas in the state where there are joint athletic teams and we would not want