

case. And again it's optional for Omaha. I think that we owe it to the bill at least to attach this amendment to it, to make the bill realistic to what it is, and then we'll give the...the body can give its full attention to the bill as it probably should have been in the beginning. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any other discussion? Any other discussion on the adoption of the amendment? If not, those in favor of the adoption of the amendment please vote aye, opposed nay. On the adoption of the amendment, have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 12 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senators Conway/Bernard-Stevens amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, we're now back to the indefinite postpone motion of Senator Beyer.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The gentleman from Gretna, Senator Beyer, please.

SENATOR BEYER: Well, Mr. Speaker and colleagues, this possibly makes the bill a little more...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Excuse me, Senator Beyer. (Gavel.) The house will please desist, Senator Beyer is entitled to be heard. Proceed.

SENATOR BEYER: This could possibly make the bill a little more...a little better to live with as far as I'm concerned. But still I think we have to look at the fact that the more we put sales tax on other areas the harder it is going to be for the state to increase their sales tax. I don't care where you put it. Like I stated before, the Rosenblatt Stadium...the City of Omaha, with their 25 cent seat tax on the Orpheum Theater, the events at the City Auditorium and at Rosenblatt Stadium, have raised some money that has allowed them to do an expansion of Rosenblatt, to work on the auditorium, and I think this is the way that we should go on the particular issue with the Arts Council. I'm very upset at the fact that a Douglas County Commissioner would go and go through the paper for all the publicity what they're going to do if this is passed. I think if he wants to do that he should come down here and get involved with the Legislature, but he don't, he wants to play it through