

withdrawn." Complete change. And, finally, there was one quote here by Mr. Jim Ringenberg... Jay Ringenberg, I'm sorry, from the Department of Environmental Control and this is dated October 27, 1988. "The facility will not be built anywhere in a community that does not want the site. I am here to tell you if Gosper County"...and he might as well have said Boyd County, Nemaha County, Nuckolls County..."if Gosper County or Elwood say they don't want the site, they don't get the site. We close our books and go home. It's plain and simple. It will not be built where you don't want it."

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR DIERKS: So don't you think that maybe the communities have been misled? Don't you think that we have the opportunity then to allow these communities their constitutional right, the right to vote and support their own destiny? There is one question that people keep asking me and the question goes like this. What would you do if all the counties in Nebraska said, no, and turned this down? Where would we be then? My only answer to that is, would you deny the people of this state the right to vote simply because you're afraid of what they would say, simply because you're afraid they would say no? Is that a sufficient reason to deny the people of this state their rights? Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. For purposes of discussion of the Dierks amendment, Senator McFarland, followed by Senators Schmit, Kristensen and Smith. Senator McFarland.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It seems to me that the people of our state have been totally deceived and misled on this entire issue of the right to vote. Not only have the people of our state been deceived and misled but also senators on the floor of the Legislature were deceived and misled when this bill orig...when the originally bill came up in 1983 to join the compact and to put Nebraska into the compact. I went back through the legislative history of that and found on the March 25, 1983 floor debate one of the chief introducers of the bill speaking in favor of LB 200 said, LB 200 is a very important bill, the low compact radio waste bill. I don't...I'm not sure that it was even understood at that time. The senator representing my district, Senator Beutler, asked questions of that introducer and said, should we be looking at this whole compact and this whole agreement as probably being a very likely