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LB 588, 767A

aye? Opposed no. Carried. The bill is advanced. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next bill is LB 588. The first item I have are Enrollment and Review amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 588.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Shall the E & R amendments be adopted to 588. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have is by Senators Withem and Hartnett. I have a note, Mr. President, that they would like to withdraw this amendment and substitute an amendment, is that correct, Senator.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, it is.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Asking for unanimous consent to withdraw and substitute, if there are no objections. Fine.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Withem and Hartnett would move to amend and the amendment is on page 2218 of the Journal.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will be very brief on this because I know there are other items on the bill. It came to light during General File discussions on this bill that the manner in which county boards memberships are elected is based on populations of counties. If it is above, I think the Senator Chambers bill has reference to counties above 250,000 is what this particular bill applies to. The Lancaster County system is for counties of 100,000 or above, and the rest of the state has another system. What we discovered is Sarpy County is probably one of the most dynamic counties, one of the most exciting counties in the state, and elect some of the finest representation into this Legislature in the state, is growing considerably and probably during the next census will be above the 100,000 figure, in which case, ironically the county that currently elects by district, as this bill proposes, will be forced into a new system, the Lancaster County system, and if