

closing, I'd ask you to support the Chambers amendment. It was very, very close last time. I think that the members are present here who have supported it in the past...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...and those of you that are wavering, seriously consider it. What would you do if you lived in Nora and you had this waste disposal site? Wouldn't you want somebody to help you? I think that's what they're saying and I think there's a lot of us here who agree with that and I'd ask you all to adopt the Chambers amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Dierks, followed by Senator Schmit.

SENATOR DIERKS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I'd just like to take the opportunity to urge your support of the Chambers amendment. There can be nothing wrong with allowing someone from outside the State of Nebraska to help people make a decision in a community in Nuckolls County or Nemaha or even in Boyd, for that matter. We're talking about technical information and if we can get someone to serve on these committees that has the technical information available, I think we should take advantage of that. I look at it as a real plus for the voters in all these communities, for the citizens in all these communities. I think that they deserve this opportunity. I think that they should take advantage of every opportunity that they can to help them make these decisions. And so I certainly urge your support of this amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, followed by Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I appreciate the concerns of the senators who have spoken here this afternoon. I appreciate, more than that, the concerns of the local people who have a legitimate reason to be concerned. If, in fact, Senator Chambers wanted to have an outside expert to serve on the local monitoring committee, the proper method for him to have handled this would have been to have first stricken the reference to local and just called for a monitoring committee. Senator Chambers, as we know, is a stickler for detail and a very, very fine one and he has many times embarrassed us on this floor by his ability to find the weak points in an argument. What is a