

may be able to purchase items other than styrofoam to comply with the resolution. So, as I said, I think back about nine o'clock, I didn't want to take a lot of time with this but, obviously, there is concern here and I respect that but, from the beginning, my concern has been on how we move forward in this state, change public attitude about the disposal of items that clutter our landfills and, quite frankly, this afternoon you will get another opportunity to talk about a more binding kind of issue with LB 163 and the solid waste management question and I hope that Senator Chambers is as equally active in the discussion of that proposal that begins, hopefully, moving this state down the path of discussing the future of solid waste disposal and how we might solve that problem, but not to spend any more time with this. I hope we move to a vote at some point to decide this issue once and for all and then again, as I said, the request has already been made to the Executive Board to take up this topic at our next meeting.

SPEAKER CHAMBERS: The Chair recognizes Senator Schimek, Senator Hefner next.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members of the body. Senator Chambers, I hope you're going to be listening because I'm going to give you a lesson in brevity. I am also, Senator Chambers, as irritated as I am about this discussion this morning, how it has dragged on, I'm going to support your motion to reconsider because I think that we've spent far too much time on a little, tiny resolution here that really doesn't address the issue that we all want to address and we are going to have the opportunity this afternoon, hopefully, if we ever get to it, to discuss the more weighty kinds of issues that Senator Chambers has suggested that we should be discussing and I think that we will do it well then if Senator Johnson will take his resolution to the Executive Board, we can accomplish what we want to accomplish here; the consciousness raising I think has gone on this morning; I think all Senator Johnson wanted to do was to raise our consciousness on this issue and to raise the consciousness of the public on this issue. I don't think he meant to involve us in a protracted debate here. I also agree with Senator Chambers that it should take 25 votes on any resolution that is of consequence to the body that causes this kind of debate, should probably take 25 votes, and anything that is rule like should also take 25 votes. Therefore, I would support Senator Chambers' motion to reconsider.