

provisions for warrantless searches and some vague language for due process problems. Finally, the amendments clarify certain language which contained potential constitutional delegation and supremacy problems, and that will...I think we'll find that in Section 7. Senator Dierks, I think, has an amendment that addresses that. We heard this last year, I don't remember that we had a lot of discussion about it. But Senator Dierks' amendment, and he will explain that further. With that, I would urge the body to adopt the amendments and advance the bill.

**SPEAKER BARRETT:** Thank you, Senator Nelson. Mr. Clerk, an amendment to the amendment.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, Senator Dierks would move to amend the committee amendments by striking line 16.

**SPEAKER BARRETT:** The gentleman from Ewing, Senator Dierks.

**SENATOR DIERKS:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. The committee amendments on line 16 call for striking original Section 8 from the bill. Section 8 of the bill is a section which places the responsibility of a minor child's pet, places responsibility for acts of that child in cruelty on the parent. We're trying to say that the...we need to have someone responsible for that animal, and just because a child is a minor, that doesn't excuse cruelty to that animal or neglect. People from the Division of Animal Control in Lincoln and Omaha both found that this was necessary language in order to make the bill more viable. So we would like to see that particular section staying in the bill. And I guess that I talked with several of the attorneys on the committee and could find no particular reason, they couldn't remember the reason for striking that section. They refer to it on the committee statement, as I understand it, it says it changes some language which contained potential delegational and supremacy problems. And I guess I just don't see that as a problem. So I would ask that we keep Section 8 in the legislation that will provide parents responsibility for actions of their children. Thank you.

**SPEAKER BARRETT:** Any discussion on the amendment offered by Senator Dierks? Senator Lindsay, please.

**SENATOR LINDSAY:** Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in opposition to the Dierks amendment to the committee amendments.