

close. I mean, I appreciated every vote that we got. I am troubled, I am really troubled by the senators who did not vote and then at the end when it appeared the amendment would be added, then suddenly switched to a no vote. That, to me, does not show a degree of moral or ethical principle at all. It shows, to me, a very...Senator Morrissey says spineless, it's a good word, I wouldn't phrase it quite as...a fairly indecisive or really troublesome way to view things. I mean, if you can't take a stand on an issue, why did you ask to be elected as a senator? If you're going to...I appreciate Senator Hefner and Senator Coorsden...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: ...for at least getting up and expressing exactly the way they feel. They are honest about it, they are open about it, but it's hard for me to accept senators who try to play both sides, who try to appease everyone, who try to duck out on votes, but always at the end coming back to scuttle something that someone has tried to do and tried to do in a very straightforward and honest manner. I hope that on Select File to kind of look at this and see if there are any changes. I don't like the bill in the form that it is in. I'm embarrassed to have my name on the bill, but rather than penalize people even further with a very unfair system, I would support advancement at this time with the understanding that I'm going to try to do some things on Select File to make this bill at least a less unconscionable bill than what it is right now. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You've heard the closing. The question is the advancement of LB 313 to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 4 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 313.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 313 is advanced. I'd like to announce that our doctor of the day, under the north balcony, is Dr. Stuart Embury from Holdrege, Nebraska. Dr. Embury, would you please stand and be recognized. Thank you. We're glad to have you back with us again. Mr. Clerk, for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have nothing at this time.