

kind of campaign, or who would have the time. It might be somewhat of a difficult prospect for any person to...and may, in fact, say, well, I don't want to partake in that, I don't have the time or the effort, and certainly I don't have the money. So, consequently, the amendment that Senator McFarland would change would, in fact, that amendment, which is Section 2 of the committee amendments, we changed that in committee. So that, in fact, you're going to have one elected...we've broken the state, instead of the regular congressional districts, we've broken the state down into six, hopefully, equal districts, and then there would be an election in each one of those six. So it would be a smaller area, certainly, and one a little bit easier in effect to campaign, plus, certainly the people are going to have a little bit better feeling, I think, of the individuals that would be running. In regards to the amendment that Senator McFarland has before us, which would change it all to an elective, or excuse me, to an appointed, I think Senator Withem stated it very well where the members need to also remember that, yes, we are talking about the Board of Regents. And whenever we think of Board of Regents, we're trained to think University of Nebraska. But we also must keep in mind that we're also combining now, on this new Board of Regents, the State College Board. And once we keep in mind the State College Board, we need to remember also that the members of the State College Board are, in fact, appointed. So, as Senator Withem I think very ably stated, when you're combining two systems together, you take the systems that you have there. And, in fact, there was some discussion, if Senator McFarland would remember, in the committee that maybe we want to have them all appointed, and that may be the reason for his amendment at this particular point. There was strong discussion. And, in fact, I think in the committee I even voted, at that point, that in theory I agreed, I felt a totally appointed situation would be better. But I also understand what the committee, I think, in its wisdom agreed to, and I think probably politically needs to be done in the state, and that is the people of Nebraska do want to vote for their representatives. And I understand that. So, consequently, to have anything that is going to be acceptable to the public, it was first, I think, agreed that, yes, we are going to have to have an election process, and we need to have an election process, and that should be the majority of that process of the board members. But we also need to understand that there is some advantages to an appointed type of system. You can, sometimes, get a different quality, a different type of person that you may not be able to get through an election