

idea is generating interest almost daily. And it is another way to bring government into living rooms and bring Nebraskans into this Legislative Chamber. I wholeheartedly endorse the idea, and as a matter of fact some of you have come to me and asked for these televised hearings to take place in your own legislative districts. And I think we're going to be seeing a lot more of that. Some committee chair's have asked for the cameras to be a part of their committee hearings as well. I hope the body will support the request. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Smith, please.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President. I would just rise to support this amendment and can tell you that as the Chairman of the General Affairs Committee we did...we were lucky enough to be one of the committees that was selected for that process, where we had a television broadcast of the hearing, and have received a lot of good comments from out in the state. We didn't have a lot of people that testified, although I must say we did have some across the state. But I think that as this grows and people are more aware of this, then we can get a lot, I mean, we can...and they feel that they are part of it because of this. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hall, please. No. Okay. Senator Withem, would you like to close on your amendment too?

SENATOR WITHEM: I don't believe so. I think it's fairly self-explanatory, and I'd urge you to support it.

PRESIDENT: Okay, thank you. The question is the adoption of the amendment to the amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: I would ask for a call of the house, please.

PRESIDENT: Okay. The question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 11 ayes, 1 nay to go under call, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The house is under call. Will you please record your presence. Those not in the Chamber, please return to the Chamber and record your presence. Senator Wehrbein, Senator