

statute which was written in a previous day in a previous understanding and we've changed our ways but we haven't changed the law. The law will now say this. If you're going to construct a library in the county, you've got to hold an election and to support that library you don't tax the city property where they are running their own libraries. Secondly, if you're going to contract for services, you don't have to have an election. The county property is taxed to support their side of the construction, or I'm sorry, the contracting costs. The city property is not taxed twice in the event they are providing their own libraries. That conforms with practice, it conforms with constitutional law, but it is a change in our statutes because they are simply old and outdated, and they do not clearly and accurately reflect how we're presently doing business and we're bringing it up to date. I move for the advancement of LB 94.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Landis. Now recognize Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Madam Chair, Senator Landis, I just have a question for you or maybe just let me talk a little bit about a problem that a constituent in Sarpy County talked to me about a couple of different times over the last few years and see if this might be something that would solve their problem. Their residence of SID's, and I know from your errant childhood chairing the Urban Affairs Committee, you had experience with SID's. Currently for those SID residents to use a library in another community they have to pay a...they consider fairly exorbitant fee, each individual that uses it, \$70 or so a year, because they have no library established in their area and they are not paying a tax to support it. Would this provision, if Sarpy County were to establish a library tax, the county board then would be the ones who would contract with the City of Papillion, the City of Bellevue, City of Omaha for those citizens to use the library, pay a tax to all of the...charge a tax to all the SID residents in the county, they could, in fact do that under this particular bill?

SENATOR LANDIS: My answer to that question is, on the face of it I think that would be available. The county winds up speaking for the SID resident. They are not a citizen of the city. This authorizes the county to contract for library services with cities. It is possible that a county, I suppose, might choose to treat its county residents one way and its SID