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more than one elective office unless you are a member of the Legislature or one of the constitutional offices, officers of the state.

SENATOR WESELY: So, and there is no, outside of those boundaries then, for instance, in Lincoln a school board member could also be a county board member?

SENATOR COORDSEN: Yes.

SENATOR WESELY: Or city council member?

SENATOR COORDSEN: That is my understanding, recollection of the discussion last year, but then we didn't get involved in it in very deep discussion this year because of this basically being language to bring all of the statutes into alignment with one another.

SENATOR WESELY: Now that you have explained that, I understand that if we did, in fact, I don't recall that. I recall the discussion but I didn't realize that we had opened that door quite to that extent last year and I can see now why these sections would...you'd have to have the electoral sections changed and to reflect the holding of office section.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Right.

SENATOR WESELY: I understand that. Was there any discussion, Senator Coordsen, about distinguishing between rural versus urban counties? Obviously we don't have a problem in Douglas or Lancaster or many other counties with having enough people to serve in various capacities. Is there any thought about restricting this dual office opportunity to more or less populated areas of the state?

SENATOR COORDSEN: There was not a discussion this year on those issues. I'm sure, while my memory doesn't bring back every detail of what happened last year in Government Committee, what happened on the floor debate. I rather suspect that probably was addressed last year but that is most certainly a guess on my part. I would assume that it was. In this particular case for LB 20, no. It was simply a compliance issue or an alignment of statutes issue.

SENATOR WESELY: Okay. Senator Coordsen, I appreciate that