

districts when we redistrict, you as an individual will want input into that redistricting. I feel we have an obligation to get input from the judiciary when it comes to redistricting the judicial districts in the State of Nebraska. I think we have an acute problem in the fourth judicial district. Recognizing this same bill has been passed on two separate occasions, last year I made a move to override the Governor's veto. There were 25 votes to override the Governor's veto. Since then I have talked to a number of my rural in greater Nebraska colleagues and they recognize that perhaps we do have somewhat of a unique and acute problem. I'm trying to address an immediate problem. I also am willing to address redistricting at the appropriate time and with the appropriate input. I would ask, colleagues, for your advancement of LB 181A.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chizek. Senator Lamb, followed by Senator Haberman and Senator Wickersham. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Madam Chair and members, Senator Lindsay was talking about the formula and so if I could ask him a question, please, well, maybe make a statement. The...we had a situation in our area with the district county judges recently where the Judicial Resources Commission transferred a judgeship down to the Kearney area, took it out of the 20th judicial district and what to some of us seems like de facto redistricting actually. But my problem is with that formula and when this was coming about I delved into somewhat as to how that formula works and there is a provision in there, as you stated, for travel but, in my opinion, it's not adequate. I think it's four points equals an hour and they allocated four points for 50 miles, which means that that judge has to pack up, find where he parked his car and drive over to another county which might be 50 miles or 80 miles away and he's got to...he just doesn't get enough credit for that, in my opinion, because you can't do it, you can't average 50 miles an hour from the time you start to pack up until you're ready for business in another courthouse. And so it seems...and, of course, none of the judges would go over the speed limit, of course, so that puts them in a real box in the rural areas. And so I just don't believe there is sufficient evidence or sufficient weight given to the distances that are involved and I wondered if there would be any thought about changing that system.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Am I to answer that? Thank you. Do I have a