

process so there will be a proper, clean, mean layout of the activity so that this commission could be in place and get on with the job.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Conway. You've heard the closing on the amendment offered by Senator Conway. We will now proceed to vote. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the amendment by Senator Conway. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Conway's amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment is adopted. Before we proceed to the next item, I would like to introduce some guests of Senator Schrock. We have Frosty Morrison, his wife, Violet, and daughter, Nancy, from Loomis, Nebraska. And they are under the south balcony. Would you please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thank you for being with us. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Conway would move to amend with the amendment found on page 1769 of the Journal.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Conway.

CLERK: On page 152, line 3, strike the word "board", and reinstate the stricken matter.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. This is a very simple amendment. On page 152, line 3, strike "board" and reinstate stricken matter. What that stricken matter was was reference to the Secretary of state. Attorney General's opinion had been requested, and we received it, went over the information, the concern that they had, and in the Constitution there is some very specific activities that the Secretary of State is obligated to perform when it comes to referendums and initiatives. And one is that the Secretary of State is to be the place where you file your petition, and he also then wants the...petition is qualified with respect to the proper number of voters, registered voters being signed on the petitions. He then puts it on the ballot, as charged under the constitutional provisions. We inadvertently, at one point, was going to have the board do that. And so by reinstating "board", on page 152, line 3, and striking "board" and reinstating the "Secretary of