

remainder of my time if he would like to take it.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I would, thank you, Senator Johnson. Mr. Speaker, how much time do I have left? Four minutes. Thank you. I find this amendment to not be good for two reasons, one, on legal grounds; two, on the matter of policy and fairness. The first...the first thing that strikes me about this is that this is special legislation, Senator Beutler, and the fact that you have a closed group of people that you are making a special exception for. And that's kind of been a popular thing that we have looked at in our laws but we're saying for this class of people we are only going to treat you in one manner and that is to give you a vote. The rest of you who would fall under the same sort of situation, that being you're the next county in the site selection process, you do not get the same benefits of the law, that was just for this one class of people. I think it is flawed on that purpose. That being aside, I think the other one is that Senator Morrissey stands up and talks to us about if you want this into your district, here's your chance to do it. Let me tell you, you don't want it. Being one who has had a proposed site in your legislative district, imagine what will happen. We're going to give a vote. Let's just say the vote fails in Senator Dierks' district, then the site selection will come back to anyone of the other districts here and those people will come to you and say, we want our vote, those people got rid of this site because they had a chance to vote, they had a chance to exercise their right to vote, their views. And I look at them or you look at them and you say, no, that was just for that one county, for us now you don't have that choice, you don't have that right. In terms of a matter of fairness, it's very difficult to have another county or another group of people to say, no, you don't get the same sort of process that they got because Boyd County, they had to put up with this for a period of time, a year or so, and we just, to get rid of them, we let them have a vote but now you're it. And that just isn't going to work. That isn't fair, that isn't right. I think that it is flawed because it is a special class. I don't know that, it's like anything else, it's one person's opinion about what the law is. I think it's suspect because of that closed class of people with this particular piece of legislation but, beyond that, it's a matter of fairness. I don't think that you can look at one county and say, yes, you do get the vote but any other county, sorry, we're getting smarter at this process, we're closing the