

this does is has a different approach towards the judicial districts for the Supreme Court. Under the committee approach, they go north and south and if you will take a look real quick at the map that the committee amendment has and then take a look at my map, you will see very quickly that there is one major difference. They have three districts that run from Kansas to South Dakota, north and south. And so the fifth district, there is just a little corner there between Saunders and Cass County but it connects all the way from South Dakota down to Kansas. The third Supreme Court judicial district does the same thing. What I do with my map is change it and keep it more like it is today in terms of areas. And I don't think that the congressional districts have anything to do with the Supreme Court districts, I mean, they're just...they just don't have anything in common in terms of qualifications or function or anything like that. I tried to keep the Supreme Court districts relatively the same. The practice areas that you draw from, in other words, people who would be qualified to sit on the Supreme Court practice in areas and those areas probably don't go from South Dakota to Kansas. They probably are in a radius of a circle from where they live and so like the third district that I keep in the northeast corner, if you look on the second page of my handout is the existing districts, the very next page is the existing districts. You will see that the third Supreme Court judicial district is roughly the same. The fifth district has to be shoved a little further east and you pick up a little more populous counties. You do go down and Gage County is kept in one whole spot so, Senator Byars, at this point we didn't do that with him in mind but that's one of the areas that just things have got to move east in those lines and so you've compressed them. The second one is that when you have a judicial nominating commission, in other words, the people who are going to make the recommendations to the Governor, you want them to be somewhat familiar with people and to the extent possible, if you're going to have someone from the third Supreme Court district, you shouldn't have somebody down from the Kansas line who is on that nominating commission because they're not going to have any idea about who those candidates are, what they're going to do. It's basically a common trade area. My plan, I think, has more of a common trade area. It keeps together the groups of counties as they have been in the past. People who are going to be qualified lawyers who are going to be able to sit on the court, probably practice in these areas more frequently and are better known and the people know them a little bit better. For example, in the fifth...you're