

on the record and, with that, I'll withdraw my proposed amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: If there is no objection, the amendment is withdrawn. Is there further amendment on the bill?

CLERK: Madam President, there is. Senator Dierks would move to amend the bill. (See AM2225.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Madam President, members of the body, My district changes somewhat drastically with any amendment that I've seen, and I haven't argued with any of those changes. No one asked me, do you like this, or, do you like that. This is just what was presented to me and I really don't mind because I'll take whatever I'm dished. It doesn't matter to me. If the people want me to go out, if this body wants me to go out to Cherry County and take on Valentine, that's fine. I know a lot of people out in that area and that's no problem. If they wanted me to go down to Norfolk and take in part of Madison County that's fine, too. I'll do that. That just doesn't matter. I'll take in Garfield County, wherever you want to send me. That's just not a problem with me. And I'm not playing R's and D's. That doesn't make one bit of difference to me. I wanted, with this amendment, to do what I thought was the fairest thing for the citizens of Nebraska. With this amendment I have kept the two districts that are disposed of in the Bernard-Stevens amendment. I have kept District 39 and I have kept District 21. I have disbanded District 43. District 43 is a sacrificial lamb, pardon my pun, Senator Howard. Yes, he does look a little sheepish at times, doesn't he? I don't have a problem with anything you've done before in the way of plans here that have affected District 40, but I want you to know that this amendment that I've brought you fits all of the requirements of the redistricting process for legislative districts in Nebraska. If you will notice, I passed out a sheet with the figures on and the districts, as we've amended them, fall right within the lines of requirements. There's not one, not one of them that gets out of the deviation that they can be in. I have changed quite a few districts in rural Nebraska. I have tried to stay away from changing districts in urban Nebraska, but I did change three in Douglas County and we have changed, we have moved some rural senators into the Lancaster County area. But if you'll notice, we still are within the mean