

be subject to being derelict in our duty and possibly the potential of the court then having the right to step in and making their judgment come to reality without our even being involved. So it takes us back, and if you look at the two maps, what we adopted and what Senator Hefner is doing, at this point, or the other day I think many people were not voting on the lines specific at that point, but their first determination had to be made as do we want Madison County to have an election this fall, or do we want them to wait two years. Do we hold the fact that there are two certificate-of-nomination candidates in the current District 19, do we hold that at a higher level than we do a court order that basically says that Madison County deserves their district? And even without a date on the judgment, I believe that they deserve their district now and not wait two years. There is many a situation when we talk about the difficulty in our judicial system when, in fact, we see a judgment that is rendered and it is rendered towards someone who is judgment-proof, and we think what a travesty that is that these people, even though they have a judgment in hand, cannot collect. I think we are in the same situation. We are in a situation where Madison County, and I think it goes without saying that most people in here recognize I did not support the case as it was brought, I didn't support the judgment as it was rendered, but now it is rendered, and that is what I think this body has to be responsible to, to subscribe to, to establish a situation where Madison County is an odd-numbered district and has their election this fall, and then there will be and there most likely will be varying consequences associated with that, whether it be lawsuits that are proposals and attempts and potentials I think is at a much lesser standard than a lawsuit that has been completed and judgment rendered. And so, first and foremost, where you want to talk about arguing lines that is one thing, but at this point, we...the body has, I think, already determined, through a great deal of discussion and debate, that Madison County should be an odd-numbered district, and this particular amendment now reinstates the theory in total 180 degrees off trying to make Madison County an even-numbered district again. And so I rise in opposition to this change.

SENATOR WARNER: Before I move to the next speaker, under the north balcony, the Legislature has guests, Judy and Jennifer Reiersen of Lexington, Illinois. These are guests of Senator Moore. And also Senator Moore's grandmother, Ruth Moore, and his parents, Dale and June Moore of Benedict, Nebraska. If the group would please stand so the Legislature can recognize them.