

that's how I deal with that, but I don't see that as being a winning case. I think we would win at something like that. Now on the other hand, we know if we redistrict 19 out, you know, some litigation on that side, that is the one that I think, in my limited knowledge I think is a better chance of this body getting in trouble with. So having said all that, it comes down to trying to extract myself from the body, look at it from outside the Legislature and outside those personalities. Once I have done that, Senator Hefner's map that he brings forward in this amendment is the one that satisfies the gut check, common sense approach. For that reason, I will be supporting it.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. Before I proceed to the next, we do have an amendment to the amendment. Before I proceed to that, I would like to introduce a Nebraska-Mexico trade mission and I will introduce several of the individuals that are there, and they are under the balcony. They are Mr. Jaime Lopez Portillo, Mr. Rafael Almeida, and Mr. William Wagner, and Randy Klien from the Nebraska Corn Board, and this team is lead by Pat Ptacek from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Would you folks please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thank you for being with us. We do have an amendment to the amendment. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Withem would move to amend the Hefner amendment. (Read FA2S2 found on page 116 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I am doing this because I think there are two sets of issues floating around here and this is an attempt to separate the two. One of the questions that is before the body with the Hefner amendment is, is there a better, more efficient way of drawing the lines that may keep us out of trouble in the future? And I think what Senator Schimek had to say was good information as far as that is concerned. And I think the Hefner map, with my limited exposure to it, would probably keep us...do a better job of keeping us out of future trouble than the map that is in LB 7 at this particular time. Having said that, there is the other issue and that's the issue that most people seem to want to address, and that is, does Madison County deserve to have an election this year? And they are interpreting what the court had to say as indicating that they probably do. What this