

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

SPEAKER BAACK: (Microphone not activated)...the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Roll call.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: We will now pick up with the agenda on LB 7 introduced by Senator Conway. Is there anyone wishing to discuss LB 7? Anyone wishing to discuss LB 7? Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Mr. Speaker and members, I think over the lunch hour we have visited with several different senators and we're going...I think Senator Conway is going to see if he can't come up with a little better area to go into Wayne County. And I don't see Jerry here yet but he was going to try to put it on the computer and see if that would really work. And...but if we have to, as I stated before, the original LB 7 which just takes 19 and splits it, it splits it between Senator Dierks' area, District 40, and District 18. That might be the least disruptive, I don't know, because I haven't seen Senator Conway's plan that he's supposed to be working on. But that just affects the two senators that ran in 19 but it lets Madison County have an election and that is what Madison County has been saying that they have to have. So if we do nothing, Madison County has already been to court, they have won their election...or their court and they have been told that they will have a senator and this will give them an election, whereas if we do nothing, then District 19 will have an election but Madison County has already won, so we'll have to probably be back down here again. So until I see Senator Conway's plan, if that will not work, then I think we need to go back and take the committee amendments off, but Senator Conway may have something that will work and I haven't seen it yet this afternoon. So I'll have to wait till I see that, but that may be what we will have to do. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I wasn't going to talk again on this issue but, since Senator Schellpeper