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would have to come forward and again say, let's keep the system we have. But it would give the State of Nebraska three more presidential election cycles to see, number one, if it would make any difference, and probably at some point if one district's vote went to another candidate, the public would actually have an experience with it, and I think we'd get as very strong feedback as to whether they like that or not. So the attempt to compromise again on the issue, not certainly with Senator Kristensen or on the votes that would take place, is that, look, we don't know if this is a good process or not. We don't know if we really like the old process either, but we haven't had any problems with the new one, let's go ahead and watch it work for another three elections, if you wish. It automatically then sunsets, the law that we have now, which means that that year we will go back the other way unless by the experiment that we went through, the public and the Legislature says, you know, we didn't like it really, the past Legislature says, but we kind of like it now, or the public says, you know, we weren't really sure on the issue but we like what we saw and we want to maintain it. I think it is reasonable. I think it leaves room for an experiment that the people can actually have a taste of and have a sense for what they want to do with their vote for President of the United States in the future, and I think it is doable. So I put forth the amendment in front of the body.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Mr. Clerk, I understand there is a motion on the desk.

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. With your permission, may I read some items.

SPEAKER WITHEM: You may read some items.

CLERK: General Affairs Committee, chaired by Senator Schellpeper, reports LB 344, LB 418, LB 590 to General File with amendments attached. Health Committee reports LB 406 to General File with amendments attached, signed by Senator Wesely. Mr. President, bills read on Final Reading this morning have been presented to the Governor. (Re: LB 7, LB 41, LB 59, LB 80, LB 82, LB 167, LB 169, LB 186. See pages 762-67 of the Legislative Journal.)

Attorney General's Opinion to Senator Hudkins (re. LB 258).
Hearing notice from the Judiciary Committee. Senator Preister