

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question before you is the advancement of LB 189. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed nay. LB 189 advances. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to return 189 to Select File for a specific amendment, FA338.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, on page 9 of the bill as it reads now starting in line 3 this is what the language says. If a final determination of a district or county court judicial vacancy is made, the Supreme Court shall after consultation with lawyers of the judicial district as it deems appropriate, determine and announce the county where the primary office and so forth. What I would do is add language which would say after consulting with a representative sampling of the lawyers of the judicial district and strike "as it deems appropriate". I have heard and had lawyers bring to me complaints that led me to make some of the comments I did earlier about so much in the nature of political activity being involved in the selection of people who would be considered by the Governor to be appointed to judgeships and so forth. There has also been some concern about only certain lawyers being talked to...oh, I want to withdraw the work load amendment. I'm sorry, and I thank the Clerk and the Speaker for being so alert.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: It is withdrawn, Senator.

CLERK: I now have FA339, Senator. I think that's the one you were explaining. (See page 2650 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that would be number six.

CLERK: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right. Number five was withdrawn pursuant to my promise. So I'm not talking about work load at all. I made an error. I ran beyond myself. I'm merely human. I have feet of clay but I don't have clay between my toes. I just thought I'd let you know that. Here is what the amendment would do, exactly what I told you but if you had looked at what was in the Journal listed as amendment number five, there wouldn't have been any relationship between that and what I'm saying. But in