

know what else that does for us? That means that Senator Robinson doesn't get to speak and that we can go on from here.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Janssen, I take it the amendment is withdrawn. The amendment is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have is by Senator Bernard-Stevens, AM3995. (See pages 1427-30 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WILL: Senator Bernard-Stevens, to open on your amendment.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Will. I'll need one second. It's gone, I'm done. This amendment is actually, believe it or not, is what Senator Bernard-Stevens would actually call, and here I am talking of myself in the third person, it's what I would actually call noncontroversial, if that...such a beast exists. What this amendment does, and I apologize, I was in a discussion with Senator Jones and I'm trying to find a copy of the amendment. What this amendment does is it goes to the...it re-enacts the airport authority clause, it just makes a, one change. And I've talked to Senator Warner, I don't know if he's supportive or not, certainly he'll let us know. But the amendment simply allows that an airport authority, under the current bill, would be under the county. And there would be, I think, ways that they could get under the city. I just want to clarify it so that airport authorities would actually have the option to petition, if the airport authority board agreed to, they could petition either the city or the county to ask that they be included. And in some airport authorities they would feel comfortable under the county, because that's where they're at. In the case of the North Platte, for example, airport authority, they actually were created by the city. The city owns the title of the land. It makes more sense for them to be under the city. This amendment would not automatically put them there but would give them the option to petition the city council to ask if they would accept them under their budget and under the lids and what have you. And, of course, if the city council refused, then it would obviously be the county's responsibility. So that's the nature of the amendment. And that's all the opening I need.