

wanted to introduce an amendment to is that all housing projects, under an authority created by a city of the metropolitan class, shall be equally distributed across census tracts predominately zoned residential and shall be located entirely within the authority's area of operation. This is, indeed, the clue and the key and I will...I will pull this amendment, but I did want to talk about it because while the OHA has said that it would put scattered site housing in the same number in city council districts in Omaha, the city council districts run north and south, and, indeed, the scattered site housing is predominately in certain areas and particularly predominantly in the northwest. And I have handouts that show, of the last 16 latest lots, 9 are in my district. I think that is disproportionate. I don't think, indeed, that this is a truly effort at scattered site housing, and I know that the citizens of Omaha are concerned about this, particularly those citizens of northwest Omaha. And I would hope that, indeed, we could look at...at those kinds of things in our state statutes. But, again, this amendment simply says, why cannot...why is Omaha and Douglas County prohibited from having one, as Grand Island and Hall County are, or North Platte and Lincoln, as various county and city authorities across the state? I do not want to, quite frankly, tie up Senator Wesely's bill. I think he is supportive of this, but I do think that it's an issue that should be decided and, unfortunately, we are threatened again by Senator Chambers to not look at this on a level of reason and rationale, but on threats and intimidation, and so, in respect and deference to what this bill is trying to do...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR PIRSCH: ...I will withdraw the amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: The amendment is withdrawn.

CLERK: Madam President, the next amendment I have to the bill is Senator Pirsch. Senator, withdraw?

SENATOR CROSBY: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Senator Pirsch, a third amendment. Withdraw. Madam President, the next amendment is by Senator Robinson.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Robinson. Go on to the next amendment.