

This is the question I ask of Senator Witek. Senator Witek, is this the bill that launched a dozen fourth grade letters, fourth grade students' letters and burnt their teacher through the boundless ire of Senator Witek?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Witek.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes or no?

SENATOR WITEK: It may be one of them.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, that having been done, I had to get it done. If I hadn't seen Senator Witek up there messing around at the front of the desk I probably wouldn't have done that. But what I'm doing with my amendment is making the suggestion that by taking only chairpersons, we're not necessarily selecting those who would do the best job. I know it's convenient to do that. What I'm saying is not designed to disparage anybody and maybe it was deemed that this is the best and easiest way to find this number of members from the Legislature, seven or however many it winds up being. So my light is on and I'd like to ask Senator Withem a question or two when my next time to speak comes up.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Before we continue, Senator Kristensen has two guests sitting under the north balcony; Julie Grohmann from Omaha and Jenny Doyle from Omaha. I believe they're still in the Chamber. If you could rise and be recognized by your Legislature. Thank you for observing us today. Senator Maurstad, followed by Senators Wesely and Chambers.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. President. If Senator Bromm would yield to a question...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: ..or two questions.

SENATOR BROMM: Yes, Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Senator Bromm, is this a friendly amendment to your amendment?