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limitations imposed by the Constitution of Nebraska. And I think, truly, that this would be a very positive thing to do, not only for the public but for those people who are in the petition process itself. And I think there's been some very good discussion today. I am sorry that...that so many people were off the floor, because I agree with Senator Chambers, it is a serious...a serious issue and one which deserves proper discussion. But I think that...that it would be an excellent policy and I would like to proceed with the issue and would certainly be willing to listen to any suggestions or concerns between now and Select File. So with that, I would simply urge the adoption of the committee amendments.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Lynch, if you're in the building, would you please report to the Chamber. The house is under call. All members are present. We are voting on the committee amendments to LB 729. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: The committee amendments are adopted. Anyone wishing to speak on the bill? Anyone wishing to speak on the advancement of LB 729? Senator Schimek, you're recognized to close on the advancement of LB 729. I will raise the call.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. Again, I think the committee amendments that I just explained do explain the thrust of the bill and the thrust of the bill, again, is to trigger some kind of a judicial intervention before the petition actually is placed on the ballot. It does set up a definition for legal sufficiency. So I would just move advancement.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you. We're voting on the advancement of LB 729. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 8 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 729.