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want to resolve this. My question is, are we going to resolve it in either voting for or against the Bourne amendment, or whether some action of censure which would be more definitive at this point in time is warranted? I would yield my time to Senator Landis. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. I'm going to vote for the Bourne amendment. I will vote for LR 98, but I wonder if we actually need to do it because I think we're getting down the rabbit hole of legalisms as opposed to what is essentially a pretty clear picture of what's right and what's wrong. I wonder how much difference in time, effort and energy we will spend going down this path, although it's entirely legitimate, as compared to passing a resolution tomorrow in this body that said something like David Hergert should resign from the Board of Regents and we ask him to do so; that his actions and his inactions subverted the electoral process; that the fruits of his campaign, namely, his office holding, it tainted by dishonorable practices; that the Legislature condemns those actions, finds and declares that David Hergert's campaign practices dishonorably subverted the legitimate electoral process; and that the Nebraska Legislature censures David Hergert; that a copy of this resolution will be sent to Mr. Hergert, to the Governor, to the Attorney General, to the Historical Society where it will be kept in perpetuity, and to the secretary of the Board of Regents where it will be kept as a permanent record as long as those records are kept. I wonder if we will get a better result or clearer result than that. If we do, then let's go down the path, because I'll do it. I'll vote for the Bourne amendment and I'll vote for LR 98. I think it's entirely possible we will spend three months, some money, get into the interregnum between one session and another, have gotten to essentially this place, and then we'll wait till next session to pass something like the resolution I've just suggested to you. I'll do this. My guess is that we'll get to roughly the place that I just outlined, in which case we could do that tomorrow and speak with authority and clarity and proximity to the wrong, which we could do tomorrow if we wanted to.