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SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I truly support the Langemeier amendment. And I would just like to also enter into the record that the Nebraska Association of County Officials are going to...they're developing on their web site, you know, a statement of the open meeting laws and what has to be followed, so that it can be consistent throughout the state of Nebraska as to the time frame that's going to be utilized as far as when items need to be put on the agenda, when and where the public notice is to be placed. So that is my comment, and the Association of County Officials are in support of this. And thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuthman. Further discussion, Langemeier amendment. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. If I could ask Senator Langemeier a couple of questions, please?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Langemeier, would you respond?

SENATOR LANGEMEIER: Yes.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Langemeier, you and I discussed this off the floor, but for the record, how different is it now than it was prior to this legislation? Is the notice a reasonable amount of time now? Is it...would it be different with your bill, or your amendment?

SENATOR LANGEMEIER: It...the time is kind of ambiguous. It still...prior to that, it was "advance notice." And so it's still kind of a vague term.

SENATOR JANSSEN: All right. So...

SENATOR LANGEMEIER: (Inaudible)...

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...it was vague prior to this, and a reasonable amount of time now is what you will be putting into the statute. Is that correct?