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there is no realistic chance to put anybody on a board coming from a district that large.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: And so you're coming up with the idea that you need to have seven districts, so that you could bring the districts down to a smaller amount.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, and then, if you marshal everybody whose an eligible voter and make an appeal to others, there is a chance.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Let me....You're on my nickel.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, I'm sorry.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Let me ask you one other question then. Would you admit that you would have a better chance of having representation if you had districts by the primary, even if they were seven, had the primary by district, and then the election at large?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, because what can be done then is to influence the district election by people outside the area supporting a particular person and make sure that they are one of the two that makes it to the General, then they support the one in the General that they want, knowing that he or she will not truly represent the interests of that district.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: All right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that has been done in other places.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Well, thank you. I appreciate your....
(POWER OUTAGE. End of debate recording for the day.)

(LB 741A and LB 678A were read by title for the first time. Senators Wesely, Landis, and Hartnett asked that amendments to LB 279 be printed in the Journal. See page 1396 of the Legislative Journal.)