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LB 182

PRESIDENT: Alright, Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I move that we adopt the E & R amendments to LB 182.

PRESIDENT: All in favor say aye. Contrary say nay. They are adopted.

CLERK: Alright now Mr. President, Senator DeCamp offers an amendment as follows (read amendment). This is found on page 1535 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: 182, Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Mr. President, this is the amendment that we spoke about on this bill to satisfy Omaha, so that we establish when we talk about water supply we are talking about rural water supply, so it didn't louse up anything that they would have in Omaha. It is agreed upon amendment. I guess that is about all that I can say. It just clarifies when we talk about water supply, water wells, we are talking about rural water wells, isn't that right? Isn't that right Goody? Okay. I guess that is it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Orval Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Just a question of Senator DeCamp, I didn't quite get. How far from any wells Senator DeCamp?

SENATOR DE CAMP: Is that what it says, 1,500 feet? I don't know if it is a thousand or fifteen-hundred. I have to look it up. I will have to look it up. Is it a thousand?

SENATOR KEYES: You had better make it about a mile, because there is no place in Douglas County that you can find where there isn't a well every fifteen-hundred feet. That means that you are going to have three thousand feet between wells and there just isn't that much space out in Douglas County and there isn't that much space in Sarpy County. The only way you would get it is go out into the middle of the Missouri River and you might find it there, and I doubt it, so there is no place in Sarpy or Douglas County. No place what-so-ever that you can meet that. That just automatically closes down all dumps, in the rural area.

PRESIDENT: The question is....Oh, Senator DeCamp do you want to close debate on your motion?

SENATOR DE CAMP: Well this is an amendment that Omaha insisted upon, so there is no confusion, they were satisfied with it. I guess they went over it with the county officials. I don't think that it has any problems. I'm giving you all of the information that I have on it.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of Senator John DeCamp's amend.....I beg your pardon, Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. Speaker, I was mistaken. Inside the city limits of Omaha you have many square miles of territory that do not have wells on them, so you will be able to put it inside a city. But, no place in rural Sarpy or Douglas County could you get 1,500 feet from a well. You may be able to do that inside the city. Thank you ever so much.

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