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and then in recent years, the last two or three years, the lights have simply been taken off, carted away and sold to the highest bidder for ornamental lighting at his personal house or his vacation spot at Okoboji or other places around the state. Now what our amendments do, what my amendment and the committee amendments do is it makes it clear who is responsible for preserving this lighting system. It makes it clear that the City of Omaha is responsible for paying for the lighting system and this is going to impose a cost on the city of \$20,000 to \$30,000 a year for about twenty years to be sure that these valuable ornamental lights are preserved. That is the end of my presentation, Mr. Speaker. If anybody has any questions, I will be happy to answer them.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is to advance LB 509 as amended. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay on the motion to advance, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is carried and the bill is advanced. Senator Sieck, are you ready? Excuse me, Mr. Clerk, the next one is LB 265.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 265. Title read. The bill was first read on January 15. It was referred to the Public Works Committee. It was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending by Senator Kremer's Public Works Committee.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer, do you want to explain the committee amendments first?

SENATOR KREMER: I yield to Senator Sieck, if he would like to take them, either way.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Yes, thank you, Senator Kremer. First I will speak on the bill. The bill intends to protect the NRDs and the county governments from liability for putting impoundments either on the road or below the road and impounding upon the roads a certain amount of water at a certain level and the level would be at a ten year frequency storm which is 4½ inches in this particular area in a ten year period. The amendments were attached and now I will go into the amendments and I would like to have action on