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951, 967, 974

CLERK: Mr. President, for the record, Business and Labor Committee, Chaired by Senator Coordsen, reports LB 735 to General File; LB 936, General File; LB 360, General File with amendments; LB 951, General File with amendments; LB 39, indefinitely postponed; LB 370, indefinitely postponed; LB 499, indefinitely postponed; LB 690, LB 967, LB 974, all reported indefinitely postponed. Signed by Senator Coordsen as Chair. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 770-76 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: We will now proceed to Item 7 on the agenda, Final Reading. Members, please take your seats so we may proceed with Final Reading. Mr. Clerk, LB 21.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion on the desk. Senator Moore would move to return LB 21 to Select File for a specific amendment, the amendment being to reinsert the stricken language found on lines 24 and 25 of page 5, and reinsert the stricken language on lines 1 and 2, page 6.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. Speaker and members, the amendment I filed basically would reinsert the language that was stricken by the Beutler amendment on January 31, which I believe was the Select File reading of LB 21. I may be incorrect there, and I apolo...and I stand to be corrected if I am. But I think it's important that we just take a moment and look at that language one more time. As I say that, I will confess that I, and probably other members of the body, maybe didn't give that amendment its proper attention when we debated it last time. If you look at the record, it was not debated extensively, and that is certainly not Senator Beutler's fault. He explained it rather...I mean very accurately on the floor. But I think it is true, when you look at that amendment it is a marked change in water policy in the State of Nebraska, because under present law when you have a...when you wish to have a control area, and with laws passed a few years back where we extend that control area to other NRDs, the Department of Water Resources, with the consent of the bordering NRD that is affected, usually downstream, only with the consent of that board can the Department of Water...can the Director of Water Resources include that in the control area. Senator Beutler's amendment struck the language that allowed that adjoining board to grant their consent. The reason I say that's a marked change in the