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make some recommendations on public members, and I support that. I said to Sam Cullan, I said, and he'll verify this, I said, I don't care if the Committee on Committees, the Executive Board or wherever it is, I said, but this Legislature ought to have some public say about who is going to serve, and not a group that is already constituted at a disadvantage to the urban people, and I predicted it and I'm going to get the floor debate out from last year when all of you got up on the...and it was a 24-24 vote as I recall, and said we do not want anybody from the urban area there...we want this to continue to be dominated by those who want to control the water, the irrigators...yes, the irrigators, but certainly not the public, certainly not the general public, and this is state dollars. These are dollars collected not from the users but from everybody in the state and they deserve equal representation on any Advisory Commission. I support Senator Dworak. I support Senator Fowler. I commend them for bringing forward the issue. I do not think Senator Dworak is punting for left-wing organizations. I think that's probably the most assinine accusation ever made in this Legislature.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President and members of the body, I do support Senator Kremer in his proposal, and I'm pleased to be able to get on the side of Senator Schmit once, and I'm pleased to hear him offer some good voice and good terms to the state water commission. I don't see this as Senator Lewis has said that the urban people will not be represented. I feel as I looked at the criteria establishing the board members, they are coming from all walks of life, that they are people that will be interested in water, and I do not want this to get into the political arena. I don't feel, that something that we must do, we gotta keep it out of there, and as far as the legislative process, the state commission is supposed to come before us at all times and tell us what is going on and report to us. It says that right there in this amendment. So I'm not a bit afraid that the state commission will not report to the Legislature and that the Legislature will not have a voice in this. I do feel that they will have a voice, and I strongly urge you to support Senator Kremer's amendment and get the right people on this board and get it out of the political football game. We need people that are interested in this field, and again I urge you to support this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Hoagland.