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LB 595

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature. I rise in support of the Warner amendment that we just addressed. It is a compromise, I felt rather strongly that the commission should solicit the names and then make the appointment out of the response to the questionnaire that has been sent out. The Warner proposal is different in that it provides that the legislature through the Executive Board shall submit the names as outlined in the bill LB 595 and then the appointment shall be made by the commission. I feel that this is proper because it leaves a closer relationship with the commission and the appointed public advisory board. I have always felt strongly that there should be a public advisory board, I felt that there should be more involved ~~ad it be a wider range~~ of public input. However I am willing to start this way and I strongly support the Warner amendment. It is a compromise that I feel we can get along well with it and I would urge everyone to vote accordingly.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: I want to call for the question but I believe that Senator Keyes wanted to ask a question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Chair recognizes Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask Senator Kremer a question because I have been against, I and Senator Lewis have been against what they have been trying to do for the last two or three years and I would like to ask Senator Kremer just a question or so. Senator Kremer, when you or the Governor or whoever appoints these as this bill will be finally written, is there going to be anybody that represents the district that I live in? That will live in our district and that will not be appointed by the Governor?

SENATOR KREMER: Senator Keyes, this has nothing to do with the make up of the commission. It merely addresses itself to the public advisory board that will work with the commission in the planning and review process that actually is a new version of a state water plan. It has nothing to do with representation on the commission. The public advisory board under this bill, 595, will be made up of people that are names that are submitted by the legislature through the Executive Committee.