

the busiest in the summer, that this should have an emergency clause. The bill will be explained fully after the amendment is adopted but perhaps I should say the bill would include political subdivisions of the state as owners for purposes of the Recreation Liability Act. Hence the same limited liability that is given the owners of land who make their property available to the public for recreational purposes would be extended to political subdivisions. I urge the members of this body to adopt the committee amendments to LB 476.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments. Senator Cullan, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR CULLAN: Yes, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I guess I would ask Senator Labeledz to explain what the limited liability is before I would be willing to make a decision as to whether or not the emergency clause should apply. If you could, Senator Labeledz, I would appreciate it.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Well, maybe I could go into detail about what the bill is about. LB 476 would include the political subdivisions in the Recreation Liability Act. They would then be given the higher standard of protection which is already given to private owners of property who make their land available to the public for recreational purposes. Political subdivisions would then only be liable for negligence which is willful and malicious. This applies only to land, Senator Cullan, which is devoted to recreational purposes.

SENATOR CULLAN: Okay, thank you, Senator Labeledz. I appreciate it. I guess I am not concerned too much whether the emergency clause gets adopted or not. I am not sure that it is wise of us to extend this limited liability to political subdivisions which I think should have some responsibility for ensuring that recreational facilities are not unnecessarily dangerous and I guess I am going to, so I don't have to duplicate it later on, say I don't care too much about the emergency clause but I don't think that I can support the bill unless there can be much greater explanation as to why we can justify limited liability. Thank you, Senator Labeledz, and maybe when you get to the bill, you can give us some more information. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 476. All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? We are voting on the adoption of the committee amendments to 476. Have you all voted? Record.