

Director of Water Resources for groundwater pollution. Now this is not structurally, this is not new. This is the same procedure that we use for groundwater quantity problems, now we are allowing it for groundwater pollution. Groundwater pollution is defined as the degradation of the quality of groundwater sufficient to make such groundwater unsuitable for present or reasonably foreseeable beneficial uses. Okay, so this is basically what we are talking about. It allows for certain types of controls in the control areas, basically the controls that are allowed for groundwater quality problems. In addition it provides for well metering and in addition it allows for the setting up of programs on irrigation scheduling. Those are the main items. Those are the principal points on the bill, the ones that I feel that people may want to discuss. With that, I would move, Mr. Speaker, I would end and allow others to pick up the conversation. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the Clerk has two amendments on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. Speaker, the first I amendment that I have is offered by Senator Rumery and the amendment is on page 1419 of the Journal.

SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we discussed this with Senator Kremer and we have a situation in our area where the Platte Valley Irrigation District has been issuing and discounting general fund warrants whenever the agency needed some money. The trouble of it is the statute provided in 1929 that they could pay 5% interest. Well the bank is having difficulty in meeting this situation and I think we can all understand that with the price of money these days. So, what this does, in a nutshell, it would raise the, it would change the law from 5% to 10%. Mr. President, I move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: I would like to speak on the bill Mr. Speaker, so I will wait.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: A question of Senator Rumery.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Rumery, do you yield?

SENATOR HABERMAN: The request 2288 on page 1419 and 1420 it changes from 7% to 10% per annum.

SENATOR RUMERY: Yes.