

environmental and other benefits, the beneficial uses and the alternative sources of water supply. Now by taking out subsection 4 in lines 13 and 14, somebody could argue, I suppose, that we are not looking into the future, but if you will look under subsection 5 on line 17 it also says, "or future beneficial uses", which to me would be the same thing. This is a legitimate attempt on my part and I haven't had a chance to visit with Senator Beutler about this, but it is a legitimate attempt on my part to make this bill more uniform in its treatment of the two basins, the basin of origin or the basin that is applying for the interbasin transfer. And as I said earlier when I opposed the kill motion, this is what I think we should do. I will also warn Senator Beutler that I would like to work with him later on to deal in some other areas of this bill to make it more even. But I would urge the body's adoption of this amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I am a little bit reluctant to even speak on this issue. I feel a little like the fellow that said, I quit telling jokes because when I tell a joke everybody cries. I kind of feel like whenever I talk, it goes just the opposite of what I want it to, so maybe I should not talk at all. However, I am going to take a chance and I am going to speak in support of the Vickers amendment. In his amendment he does strike lines 13 and 14 and I think I addressed that issue and said this probably is the area where I have the most trouble, but since we lost the first round we will retrench and we will support the Vickers amendment. I think he has improved the bill and made it, as he indicated, kind of balanced the issue. I trust that Senator Beutler will support the motion, and I hope we get a little better vote than we did the other time. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I would like to say something very positive about the amendment. It beats the kill motion. I have basically taken the position on this bill and will be taking the position that the most important thing is for the Legislature to set the policy, and I don't have strong feelings as to whether that policy slightly favors the basin of origin or is slightly pro transfer. I do have strong feelings about any policy we set up which doesn't respect the basin of origin or on the other hand which would not