

LR 186 and his amendment is on page 2114 of the Journal.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President and members, the amendment that I am offering on 2114 very simply is one that I want to offer to this body as part of the resolution. I think Senator Haberman mentioned when he was discussing the resolution that he felt that a point needed to be made to bring it to the attention of the people of the State of Nebraska as to the way that our power districts are addressing this situation, the fact that there is some, I think he called it nit-picking. I guess I would call it a conflict of personalities within two different districts as to how they are going to address the power supply situation in the State of Nebraska. The amendment that I am offering simply says that you are all working for the same people. You are all working for the people of the State of Nebraska. Furthermore, it indicates that if the agreement is not reached, then we should have binding arbitration implemented by the Nebraska Power Review Board. Now this sounds real good but the problem is as I am well aware of and as most of you are, the Nebraska Power Review Board does not have the teeth or the muscle to act in this capacity even though they certainly should be able to and I am offering this motion only to point out to the body this is the way it should work, this is the way it ought to be but at the present time it is not set up that way. So, Mr. Chairman, with those thoughts in mind I would like to ask for unanimous consent to withdraw this motion and move on to the next one.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Hearing no objection, so ordered. Now, Senator Kremer, do you wish to speak to the resolution?

SENATOR KREMER: Yes, sir, Mr. President, I do. Of course some of us have been aware of this proposed project for many years. There have been many many hurdles to cross and finally those hurdles have been crossed. Now, what do we see before us again? We see the power industry itself fighting between themselves. I personally have made telephone calls to their legal department, to those involved and pled with them that they get their differences straightened out simply because we have a project here. While it is not a large project, it is fifty megawatts, but it is hydro power. It is a clean power. It is a renewable power and we are looking for more of these projects. There are not very many of them in Nebraska. Now if they do not get their differences settled, I can well see that the project is going to cost much more. They do have an attractive bid from Allis-Chalmers and from another company, will build a house, and I think it would be a good move on the part of the Legislature to pass this resolution. We have already warned them the Legislature, many members are getting rather disturbed because of the continued