

process to take place. But let me make just a couple short comments. The bill is not going to be made less vague unless you are going to get into the process of minutely outlining each and every factor and the extent to which you are going to consider each and every factor. You and I and all of us considered that alternative at the beginning and rejected it. We put the bill in terms of broad principles, broad but meaningful principles with some very specific definitions. Very specific definitions as to beneficial uses. Very specific broad principles, reasonably foreseeable uses. . . . lawsuits and I have never denied the fact that there probably will be lawsuits on questions this big after 252 is passed. As I have argued to you from the beginning, I am totally confident that there will be far fewer lawsuits than if you and I refuse to act and declare legislative policy and if we allow the director of water resources acting in conjunction with the Supreme Court to simply declare that policy. I hope that I am talking too long. I hope that you are not going to take this whole business seriously. Again, the amendments that Senator Warner is proposing are by and large not original. They have been considered. They have been by and large rejected. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you Mr. President, members of the Legislature, of course I arise to support Senator's motion to return the bill. While it has not been done very frequently it has been done, if there is evidence that it should be done. Secondly, I want everyone to know that I in no way ask Senator Warner to do this or even suggested it to him. This is on his own. In my previous discussion on LB 252 I made it well known that I did not vote to bring the bill out of committee for the very reasons that Senator Warner is setting forth in his proposal here. I felt rather strongly that this was of such great importance that we need a considerable time to look into ways and methods and rules and regulations dealing with the moving of water from one river basin to another. I don't think we gave that attention. I said before to Senator Beutler, I admire him and I thank him for being active in this area. We need it and I'm in total support that the Legislature should give the guidelines. However, I felt that we did not give the time and we should. I can see all kinds of legal problems unless we do give guidelines. Furthermore I wish to emphasize with the best of my ability that the time is going to come that we are going to have to move this water around when it is feasible and when it is reasonable. If we don't, I've