

think that has anything to do with the issue or the Colorado people or Timbuktu people are going to use the water or use the lake. So let's review what has happened to this bill since we started. All of a sudden the percentages was changed from fifty percent use of recreational surface of the lake to seventy-five percent. Why was this change made? Well, because it took Willow Creek out. So evidently it is all right at Willow Creek but it is not all right at any place else. And Senator Schmit says it is so wrong to take public property by eminent domain but, Senators, now listen to this, it is only bad for three years. After three years it is all right to do it because he had an amendment put on the bill that the bill would sunset in three years. Now explain to the public and explain why three years it is a bad thing but after three years it is okay. Now I ask you to think about that. For three years it is a bad deal and we should have this bill. But after three years it sunsets and the bill and everything goes away. What kind of logic is that? I think that that right there proves that this bill shouldn't be advanced. That proves it possibly is a special interest bill because it is for a three year period. If it is such a good idea, why not make it permanent? Why was the amendment put on and adopted? Explain that to the public. Because I sure can't explain why it is only for three years, if it is a good idea to take this authority away from the Natural Resource Districts. Somebody else can explain it but I can't explain it. So I say to you, do not vote to advance 243. Twice we have held it back and I think we can do it again. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the advancement of the bill. Senator Schmit, do you wish to close on the motion to advance?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, first in response to Senator Haberman and his argument on the sunset. I offered that amendment to pacify a person such as himself who concern themselves with a fact that there may come a time when there would be litigation and excessive spending of money for legal fees, et cetera, so I have stated, in effect, if that happens, make us come back in three years time and prove that it did not happen. I said I preferred not to offer the amendment because I felt by the same token you could come back here in January and do the same thing but I know this body long enough and I know after having been here thirteen years, which is longer than some of us have been here, that what usually happens is we fall into a state of lethargy and we forget the fact that maybe we were supposed to look at something again. So for that reason I offered the amendment. I offered the