what the people said this is what we want. It could be based on emotionalism, it could be based on strong leadership, whatever, but it would give the people that right that there would be...I always seen fit to maintain that people have got a right to initiate and petition and to vote. So that is the other side of the argument. Now I have made a strong appeal and I will make it again when 375 comes up that we leave LB 577 intact so the natural resource district can take either course that they wish. They can go under a management practice or a management program like 375 will indicate or they can go under a control under 577. Now I do agree with Senator Schmit and I brought this to the attention of Senator Lamb who is introducing the bill that I think we will be limited in funds if we take away that quarter of a mill levy that is available once you go under control. You will lose that and there may be a little bit of a handicap if you wouldn't have the money to carry out the practice. I do have that same concern. I think, Senator Lamb, you will agree. I called your attention to that this morning. I don't really feel that it will be in conflict with 375. It will be only to the extent that there will be an expert counsel involved in the process but just goes back to the emotions of the people if you want to call it emotions. So, Senator Nichol, that is kind of my analysis of the whole situation. At that point I am not going to say anything further about how I am going to vote.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Vickers, do you wish to be recognized? We've got about six lights on now and this obviously is going to spill over until afternoon. Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members, I rise to support Senator Lamb in LB 401. I think the point that Senator Lamb is bringing before this body is a good one and I think the point needs to be made, this Legislature, as Senator Kremer just got through explaining through the creation of the Water Management Act, created a system whereby we gave the responsibility to the local people to control their destiny, if you will, through the natural resources districts and it seems rather strange to me that this Legislature gives lip service to local control, yet is deathly afraid of local control. We give lip service to local control by telling them, you've got the responsibility yet we put various things in the statutes, various criteria telling these are the only things you can do and only the things you can do. What are we afraid of? Are we afraid of local people overregulating themselves? Come on, let's be reasonable. We know that local people are not going to overregulate themselves. If they want to regulate themselves in a certain fashion that is their business. It is their area. If they want to regulate themselves more stringent