

of doubt. In this way we state positively that we feel that way about it and you may disagree but hopefully 25 members will agree that it is better to have a positive statement in there relative to that than to leave the issue vague, undefined or up in the air.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Beutler, do you wish to close on your amendment?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, let me give you an example of where I think that this kind of broad policy statement would lead us down the wrong path. Let's talk about two different industrial uses and let's say that we have a plant in Grand Island that uses so much water and that plant is extremely valuable to the community and to the State of Nebraska and let's say we have another plant somewhere near that community and it uses the same amount of water, same amount of water but that plant isn't nearly as valuable to the community. Maybe it's just getting along. Maybe it doesn't employ, number of reasons, for one reason or another it isn't economically valuable. If you adopt a broad statement of correlative rights, someone is going to come in and argue when water gets short, they're going to say the less valuable plant gets the same water as the more valuable plant regardless of value to the community. And I'm not sure that we want to make an across the board statement like that. I'm not sure we don't want to devise some system for getting water to the industries or to the elements of industries which are most valuable to the community and for that reason I don't like to see broad statements about correlative rights. Most of you in here tend to think of it in terms of farmers or in terms of use as between agricultural units but it has a lot of other implications and I don't think it is wise to make a big, broad statement. If it serves some purpose in this bill, then I would say put it in but no one has said to me what purpose it serves other than to make some sort of broad policy statement and I just suggest to you that that kind of broad statement is unwise. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: The question before the House is the adoption of the Beutler amendment to the Kremer amendments. Once again, this only takes a simple majority. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting no.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted? Once more, have you all voted? Record the vote.