

on Section 2. I believe I have but one amendment and that is offered by Senator Hoagland. (Read Hoagland amendment (1) as found on page 375 of the Legislative Journal.) That is offered by Senator Hoagland.

PRESIDENT: Okay, the Chair recognizes Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. President, colleagues, I don't want to prolong the debate on this particular concept because we have talked about this before. I think we spent quite a bit of time yesterday discussing the problems of the aquifer life goal and the fact that a lot of us would like to have it last a long time. Now the amendments that were presented yesterday were in terms of an aquifer lasting indefinitely. Now indefinitely, of course, is a longer time than any of us can really understand or predict. The body was not interested in that and I am wondering now if it wouldn't make sense to bring it down into a more specific time frame and I would like to address a question to Senator Schmit, one of the cosponsors of this bill, and ask him if he would agree to putting a provision into the law like this that would say that an aquifer has to last at least a hundred years. Senator Schmit, would you care to respond to that?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Sure, I will respond, Senator Hoagland. I would not agree to the amendment, Senator Hoagland. I have agreed to every single amendment that any member of this Legislature brought to myself and Senator...I wish you would listen...to myself and Senator Kremer during the interim period. I have not rejected one. I have accepted every single amendment and so has Senator Kremer. There is not one person who can stand on this floor and say he approached Senator Kremer or myself about an amendment to 375 that we did not accept, and now all of a sudden we have twenty-five amendments. I think the record speaks for itself, Senator Hoagland. Your amendment has no substantive value. It cannot be...it is not workable. It would not be acceptable, it would be less understood than the previous amendment.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Let me, if I might, Mr. President, let me say two things. I filed a set of amendments with the Clerk at the end of last session, Senator Schmit. We sent a copy of those over to you from our office. Now I don't know, if an amendment has merit and is a good thing to do and is in the interest of the State of Nebraska, I don't know what difference it makes whether it is presented now or earlier. But, Senator Schmit, you did have a copy of those amendments. We sent a whole package over to you and