

good Lord up above rather than from anything that man does. It is all going to depend on how much rainfall we get whether we pump that aquifer down or up in those sandhills. So I think it is kind of foolish for us to think that we can determine exactly how much water is going to be drawn out of there in time to stop development. Now if you want to stop development, let's stop development but if you want to tie it to the water table...

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: ...you're going to be twenty years late when you get to it. We did pass 375. I think we should give it a chance. There is another thing that I don't know how many of you know when you get to fooling around with the underground water table and the subirrigation. You're not going to get agreement among ranchers and farmers to what should be done. We at times have trouble. We kill our alfalfa because the water table comes up, kills the roots. At other times we think it is just great when the roots are in the water and we raise a big crop. It depends a little bit on where you live and how you handle it. But I think that right now those very people that are asking for this bill are the ones that are going to suffer the most if a water table goes down. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I believe Senator Kahle has made most of the points that I would have made. I think you need to recognize that you are entering into an area that is of extreme interest to a few people and is of absolutely no interest whatsoever to a number of persons who are voting in support of the most recent amendment. As I said before and Senator Haberman said the good old boy syndrome works and I want it to and maybe it does but there is a vastly different situation than what we are talking about here. What we are talking about here is an issue which is not understood by very few people on this floor. I believe that the statement was made and maybe I misunderstood, Senator Kremer had withdrawn his amendment which was one that we just adopted. Senator Kremer passed over the amendment. I'll let Senator Kremer speak for himself but the point I want to make is this, that this bill is not a good bill for the State of Nebraska at this time. It is not a good bill because it deals in an area where we are not knowledgeable. He speaks in terms of reference of 75% of the landowner being able to impose certain controls. I would like to have someone explain...would Senator Haberman please explain to me this question, please. Senator Haberman.