

CLERK: Mr. President, in that event, I now have a series of amendments from Senator Haberman, Mr. President. But, I believe he wants to withdraw those.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Haberman, did you want to withdraw those amendments?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, at this time I will withdraw my thirty amendments.

SENATOR CLARK: All right, they are withdrawn. Next amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the bill is an amendment offered by Senator Kremer.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: I think that we have it straightened out. It needs both the A bill and LB 816. LB 816 is the one I am talking about right now. I notice that Senator Warner got a lot of green votes when he said I promised to do that, so did I, so I expect the same green votes. What we are doing here, we are putting back about \$700,000 to be distributed among the Natural Resource Districts. They have had an appropriation of just a little bit less than that last year and that has all been taken away. I do this because we are loading a tremendous responsibility on the districts because of the legislation we have had passed and because of what they are going to have to do to carry out what is best for the State of Nebraska. We do take the \$700,000 away from the counties and we distribute it to the NRD's on the same basis that they tax the tax payers in their district. Now it is needless to say a lot more about it. I think it is important. If we don't do this I know they can get a little bit more money from the taxing of real estate but the lid bill, I mean the lid keeps them from doing that. There is no way that they can carry out the responsibility that we have given them unless we also give them the funds to do it. If we expect to get any federal help in the way of impoundment of some of the waters in our state, they are simply going to have to come up with some front end money. We are not going to get at the bill whereby the state gets involved so it is up to the NRD's to do it. If we aren't willing to do that I think Nebraska will suffer the consequence. I move for the adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Sieck.