

reasonable manner. I would ask your adoption of this amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker and members, I'm not sure that I should stand to oppose or support the amendment because at least in subsection (6) that is somewhat repetitive in what is being done in Section 13 of the bill on page 25 where it calls for any person or public agency may institute legal action for failure to comply with the noxious weed act and it goes on to explain that. Subsection (7) though, I'm not aware of yet, but, as I said, some of this is either in law or in this bill. Now we can reiterate it in different sections of the bill, I guess, and make it clear, our intent, however, it might be repetitive. I'm not saying it's wasted language but I think we have covered those points in other places either in the bill or I might be misreading the amendment but it appears in Section 13 that we have covered some of the questions that Senator Elmer is raising.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Dierks, please.

SENATOR DIERKS: Mr. Speaker, I'm going to oppose the amendment again because I think that it's redundant. I think we've already addressed all these issues in the bill as amended out of committee. So I can't...to me, I think it just would confuse the legislation and make the bill a little bit more difficult to read and, personally, I would just as soon leave the amendment out. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Elmer, would you care to close?

SENATOR ELMER: Well, in retrospect, in looking at Section 13, it says any person or public agency may institute legal action for failure to comply with the Noxious Weed Control Act. The action shall first be filed against a landowner. Who is going to file against their neighbor? And any subsequent action shall be filed against the county and then against the director. I think this discourages what we're trying to do. You know, from your own experiences out there on the farm you are very reluctant to do something that drives a wedge between yourself and your neighbor. If you can work out something that you talk to the county, you talk to the state, but you don't have to go directly against your own neighbor, but, on the other hand, I