

for all of us, but I ask you again, why should it be so that in this particular instance the wishes of those individuals, Senator Dierks and Senator Lamb particularly, are not considered? It's kind of interesting, this morning I heard a city councilman from Omaha who had an idea. He said the Governors of Ak-Sar-Ben ought to just give Ak-Sar-Ben to the City of Omaha, sort of ours anyway, we've supported it all these years. Came as a shock to me that Ak-Sar-Ben was not a statewide organization after 50 years. It was always my understanding that there was great emphasis placed upon the fact that Ak-Sar-Ben was a state organization supported by the entire state. Fifty years ago as a young lad I showed cattle there and I was impressed by the fact that Ak-Sar-Ben meant the entire State of Nebraska. This morning a city councilman says, just give it to the City of Omaha. A very laudable goal for the councilman. I don't blame him for suggesting that. What would be the response if Senator Dierks or Senator Lamb were to say, just give us, just give us up in that area total control over the river. We'll do with it that which we think is right and you can be sure we will act in the public interest. That's what it's about. I think that in this instance, the parallels again are not the same, but in this instance, I believe the interests of the local individuals and citizens ought to be of some concern to this Legislature. We have had a lot of excitement here on this floor, we'll have some more because of the low-level radioactive waste issue. We're going to have a lot of excitement as time goes on about the storage of all kinds of solid waste. We're going to have discussion and debate about the construction of bridges and roads and dams. We usually try to give the local citizen some voice, sometimes not as much as we would like, but the facts are that the local citizen should be represented.

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: That is what Senator Lamb is trying to do here and I would hope you would support him.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Rod Johnson, on the motion to bracket. Any further discussion on the motion to bracket? Senator Conway, do you wish to close on your motion to bracket?

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, Senator Lamb was probably correct in saying that the bracket motion in