

the issue, not destroy the issue by fracturing it into little pieces the sizes of counties. I just...I just find it hard to believe that you would...that you would want to do that. Again, the concept of my amendment, it allows counties the power, it allows cities their current power, they can do what they want with regard to scenic rivers, but it sets in place a process, a process that's directed by the Game and Parks Commission but which you, the Legislature, ultimately controls. Ultimately, you're going to be able to look at a whole package in front of you that proposes a scenic river segment and you're going to be able to make the decision yourself. Is this appropriate? Or is this not appropriate? And if you make that decision, obviously, in that event, you're going to contradict...you may contradict, if the counties have acted, a decision by a county, but in no other instance, in no other instance would there be interference at the state level, only if this Legislature saw fit to approve a specific project. That's what this amendment does. And I truly believe it to be a compromise and we've worked very hard to make it something comprehensive and meaningful and I pledge to you we would continue to make it very hard...to make it exact in detail and extremely workable. But you have to say something to the public. You have to say, we want a broader concept. We think there are things that are of statewide importance in terms of the aesthetics, in terms of things of beauty, things that are enduring, and this is a way that you can send that message out without demeaning the concept of local control. Would ask for your support.

SPEAKER BAACK: You've heard Senator Beutler's closing. We will now proceed to vote on the amendment as offered by Senator Beutler. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, normally this should be something you would let go. I would like to get everybody on record because I would like to come back and talk to individuals about what they would...what they would like to see in terms of this bill and see if there is some way of working things out. So I would like to have a call of the house and a roll call vote.

SPEAKER BAACK: A call of the house has been requested. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 19 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.