

General File and to use his bill. I don't want to detract from the important purpose of his bill with this but if there are...Madam Chair, if there are others who wish to discuss my particular amendment, I would be happy to leave it up there to allow them to do that, but my intent is to withdraw that.

PRESIDENT MOUL: I will ask now if there are any senators who wish to discuss the Withem amendment. Senator Schimek. Senator Crosby.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam Chairman, and members, I will just speak briefly since I was the one who asked for the opinion. It is...Senator Withem and I had discussed the point earlier because it does seem to be a bone of contention, shall I say, Senator Withem, with the editor of the Journal. And so since I brought the amendment, I do thank Senator Withem. I mean, I asked for the Attorney General's Opinion. I thank Senator Withem for bringing the subject up. I did feel when we asked for the opinion and received it that the ball was in his court and now he has sent it back to us. So I would hope that a study or something or if we bring it on Select File that enough people will pay attention between now and then to address it in an intelligent way so we can do the right thing. And I appreciate it very much, Senator Withem. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Senator Wehrbein, do you wish to speak to the amendment?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Madam President, members, I just...I guess a philosophical discussion, I appreciate the discussion. I didn't realize...I didn't think about me being on the Missouri River boundary would actually come up first on your list besides. (Laughter.) But, really, putting that aside, I think it's something strong to consider. On the other hand, I assume that over the years senators have been involved in this process or been appointed as part of the body so that their concerns, their representation, their ideas, their thoughts, their advice, would be centrally or at least be considered. And so, before we adopt this, I would guess we need some study time because I don't know what the philosophy was perhaps to design the Missouri Boundary Commission. That was long before my time. But I assume that it was an attempt to have some direct relationship between this body and some of the commissions that they have and assuming that it was a form of communication and that type of thing. So whatever the reasoning has been in the