

Legislature which I do not believe these people are representing the majority of the constituents in Omaha and Lincoln, primarily, to oppose this resolution, to oppose the relicensing of Kingsley Dam, I just do not believe they are realistic and it just defies my imagination to understand where they're coming from. I just would ask that you support this resolution, pull it out of the committee, amend it as you will...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR LAMB: ...and we'll go on from there.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Lamb. Next speaker is Senator Horgan.

SENATOR HORGAN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I, too, would rise in opposition to pulling this resolution from the committee. As a new member of the committee, I, along with Professor Hartnett, I think, have a hard time understanding what the real motivation behind this resolution is. In the first early days of this session, the proponents of this resolution went around and asked the members of the committee to sign on to the resolution because it's noncontroversial. And a couple of us decided we weren't going to sign onto it because we didn't really understand what the issues were. And I have to tell you after about four or five hours of discussion of this resolution, noncontroversial resolution in committee, I still don't really understand what the issues are fully. But what I do understand is that two-twenty in the afternoon on April 18, the State of Nebraska does not have a comprehensive water plan, and if we were to vote on this resolution and pass it, and now at two, twenty-one in the afternoon on April 18, we're not going to have a comprehensive water plan no matter what we say. It doesn't make a lot of sense to say you have something when you don't have it. It's like saying you've got a bank account full of money and you're going bankrupt. It does not make sense to me that the State of Nebraska, the legislators in this body are going to stand up and say the State of Nebraska all of a sudden has a comprehensive water plan when we've never had one. And we've talked in committee about the fact that perhaps we need to address that issue. Maybe we need to look at it. We have a letter on our desk, when we came back from lunch today that says if we don't pass LR 27, the possibility exists that FERC will once again divert 70,000 acre feet of water from Lake McConaughy. That's what this resolution is going to do? It's