

event, I hope you can support both the Morrissey amendment and the Conway amendment.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Very briefly, Mr. Chairman, I did support one amendment by Senator Morrissey. Now people say that the counties will not do anything, but Senator Morrissey's amendment that we adopted last time changed, made it "shall". So it reads that a county board shall, by resolution, designate a portion of the stream which is located in the county or on the border of the county. So it's not...well, the difference is in philosophy. If you want absolute state control, that's what this is. If you want to get some local control into this mix, you don't adopt these amendments.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Senator Lamb. Is there anyone else wishing to discuss the Morrissey amendment? Seeing none, Senator Morrissey, would you like to close?

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members, again, there's not much I can say. I think it's fairly simply and fairly straightforward. If you believe that it is a statewide issue with statewide ramifications, then if we're going to do and adopt Senator Conway's amendment, that we should adopt my amendment. We could have a designated stretch of river stretching through one or many more counties. If indeed that's the case, we don't want each and every county coming in and doing their own type of zoning. We want them to have guidelines to follow. We want the zoning, the effort to preserve these sections of river to be consistent. I put the shall on Senator Lamb's because I was afraid there were people that would do nothing. I know for a fact that there would be people that would do nothing and we have situations in my district where a city or a county maybe has their wood dump right along a river, wood or composting facility possibly and they would be hesitant to spend the money to change the location of that. I'm not saying they wouldn't, but they would be hesitant. We have some situations where there are many old cars and other such debris spread along the river. With the right amount of pressure, the county commissioners or the city who may be in control would feel hard pressed to make a citizen go to the expense of cleaning this up. Now if indeed we have a stretch of river that meets all the criteria and is indeed a very valuable resource to the citizens of the State of Nebraska, I feel we should have a