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suggest that because we have in the previous legislation granted instream flows or instream rights as an appropriative right that all of the language is necessary to establish those rights without additional supplemental language. In fact, we've already granted some of those rights and so just simply adding another category to those in which we can grant instream rights, I think that does what you are seeking quite frankly. I'm not seeking to be obstructive. I generally believe that does what you are seeking to do. I would not want to have dual appropriative language without some standard set forth on the first one at any rate. The language that deals with instream uses is quite clear and quite certain and that would be my concern.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Senator Rod Johnson, you're next.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members, I think Senator Wickersham covered much of what I was going to say or ask. Obviously there are a number of us on the floor that are very uneasy with language in the amendment we just adopted. In fact, some of us are very unclear as to how it affects the overall bill. I think most of the senators I have spoken with on the floor today are not objecting to the idea of setting up a procedure by which the cities can secure and protect their water supplies. I guess the question is how we do that in a way that has the least impact upon other irrigators in the system. So I guess at this particular point I'm not trying to be an obstructionist to the bill, but I will support Senator Moore's amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Rod Johnson. Senator Owen Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. Some time in the not too distant future this body is going to have to address conjunctive use in a progressive way. This amendment that Senator Moore is offering is eroding a small step that we all recognize we're going to have to make some time, some time, and we can't put it off a great length of time or we'll be jeopardizing our resources of groundwater in the state and also our surface water. I'm going to oppose the Moore amendment on the basis that we need to get started and get some good plans in place so that conjunctive use can be constructively and gradually addressed in Nebraska. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.