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LB 1063
LR 219

amendment that I offered to 219, LR 219 and currently have filed, was offered as an amendment to the committee amendment, to the bill. I think this one might have received about three votes in committee. When the proposal came forward in terms of committee amendments, which included one and a half of the amendments that were adopted to it, that I offered, since I was the only one that offered any amendments to LR 219 in committee, I supported the committee amendments because they did contain provisions that I had placed into LR 219. It's totally consistent. I opposed it in committee. I offered the amendment specific to this issue in committee. It failed. When the committee amendments were adopted I supported the committee amendments because they contain provisions that I put forward. Simple. It's real specific. It's real consistent in my approach to them. With that, again, I rise to oppose the specific amendment, as I did in committee, as I offered the amendment in committee, as it got either two or three votes in committee. And there is no change in my position on this issue as there hasn't been on any issue as it relates to this topic throughout the debate from the time the 3-R Committee met till March 5th at six fifty. In any case, the issue is still one of whether or not you can do exactly what this provision would allow us to do. And, you know, the arguments to date from any of the provisions in both LB 1063 and LR 219 have been that they are to build the case for the lawsuits that are coming, if they come. Well, this one sticks out and says, sue us, because here is a provision, the case law is laid out in a memo that I have here and I made a copy available to Senator Kristensen and I am offering my opposition to this to let you know, put you on record, this is going to happen. It's going to happen and it's going to be a question that is going to be raised when the constitutional amendment goes before the voters. If it's spelled out, looked at, asked, if questions are asked at the local level, if people don't do that, it doesn't matter. Maybe it won't be an issue, but I want to make sure that I am on the record as saying that I oppose this provision of it, as I will probably the entire constitutional amendment, depending on what its ultimate form is. But, clearly, the issue was addressed by a specific amendment to strike this from the bill, one that I offered, one that is consistent with my opposition today.

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SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Moore, you're next.