

the body to bracket the bill, give the Natural Resources Committee the time and resources to look further into this issue. If I felt, as I said earlier, that there was an intimate need for this bill to be passed right at this moment I'd vote for it probably, but I don't...I heard Senator Lindsay say there's a problem, there's a problem. I'm still trying to collect in my mind what problem that...that exist. I haven't heard that yet and if somebody can show me what it is other than protecting an investment or selling bonds, if that's what we're ask...what we're all about in this issue, then maybe there is a problem there. But as far as water shortages to Lincoln and Omaha, I'm not aware that there have been nor there might be in the future, but at this particular point I'd just simply ask for the bracket motion to be approved and give the Natural Resources Committee the time to take a further look and I think it will generate a great deal more discussion. There are groups forming, quite frankly, in the state as these water issues move forward to address the overall water picture, so, at this point, I foresee that the interim study will be much more successful this coming year than it was last year. I'd move the bracket motion.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Johnson. We are still looking for Senator Lamb. Senator Johnson, Senator Lamb is on his way. Do you wish to proceed?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Yeah.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Okay. We will now vote on the motion to bracket. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: ..President, I'd ask for a record vote please.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Record vote has been requested. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 1359 of the Legislative Journal.) 17 ayes, 23 nays, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Motion fails. I will raise the call. Are there any further motions, Mr. Clerk? Then we will return now to debate on the Beutler-Wickersham amendment. Senator Schmit.