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concerned about also about equity in the manner in which land is acquired. And I think that what the senators are trying to do here is to put some sort of limitation on it. I can see where it might be wise for the department to go out and buy a 300 acre wetland to replace 25 or 50 or 100 small areas, but I guess my concern is that it might not be done in a proper manner and I am really concerned that someone might decide for some good reason to acquire a piece of privately held land for mitigating purposes from an individual who did not want to sell it and as a result, an individual could suffer for the so-called public good. So I'm concerned about that. I'll yield the rest of the time I have to Senator Kristensen who may want to comment. If not, those are my remarks.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Lamb, we'll now...I will remind the senators that the house is under call. Would the senators please check in. We're looking for Senators Landis, Morrissey, Rasmussen and Chambers. Do you want to proceed, Senator Lamb? Okay. We will now vote on the Lamb amendment to LB 899. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 40 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the amendment, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment is adopted. I will raise the call.

CLERK: Senator Schmit has the next amendment, Senator.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Withdraw.

CLERK: Both of them. I have nothing further pending on the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Kristensen and I ran out of some time when we were talking about what the stewardship or the maintenance of these wetlands might be in relation to the Department of Roads and I wonder if we might just for a minute, if Senator Kristensen would agree, to a little question and answer for the record. My concern about the growing numbers of acres that might be in the responsibility of the Department of Roads and how they could take care of them.