

that, however, that this would be cutting loose the power districts to go out, willy nilly, and do whatever they wanted to do. There is obviously some very, very large load requirements that would be required, and in addition to that, you have elected public bodies that oversee the operations of those boards. So I think it's something that we need to look at, now might not be the best time, but since we've taken it to this point, I will urge the body to adopt the amendment and would appreciate their support.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Maurstad. You've heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the Maurstad amendment to the committee amendments on LB 828. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 4 ayes, 14 nays on the adoption of Senator Maurstad's amendment.

SENATOR CROSBY: The amendment fails. Anything further? We're back to the committee amendments. And before we start discussion on the committee amendments, I would like to call the senators' attention to the north balcony where Senator Cudaback has seven Cub Scouts from Pack 36. They're fourth graders from Kearney, with their leader. Would you please stand and be welcomed by your Legislature. Thank you. Discussion on the committee amendments. I see no lights. Senator Beutler, would you like to close on the committee amendments? Senator Beutler waives closing, so we will proceed with the vote. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 828. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. We're voting on the committee amendments to LB 828. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

SENATOR CROSBY: They are adopted. Senator Withem, would you like to open on LB 828.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Very briefly, but I think Senator Beutler has done an adequate job, as a matter of fact, more than adequate job of explaining the bill in his explanation of the committee amendments. The bill is a short one, it is a simple bill, it ties into the Micron situation because Micron is a large utilizer of electric power. One thing in the bill that I'll