

think the term is, public, private...private public-use airports, and the ability of those entities to access a fund that is established to assist airports in the State of Nebraska. The other element of the bill, however, also deals with the ability of these privately owned but public-use airports, the ability to...perhaps through the municipality in which they are located exercise the power of eminent domain. Having gone through the discussion on the Micron bills about the need to be very cautious on the granting of authority on eminent domain, I have worked with Senator Hartnett and asked if we could not make a change in that to clarify that that would not be a power available to these private entities. I have passed out for you a copy of LB 1644 (sic), it should be on your desk, but the intent and the purpose of it is to clarify the fact that eminent domain powers would not be granted to these private entities. So I would ask for your support for the amendment and, again, thank Senator Hartnett for his cooperation on this issue.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Wesely. For discussion on the Wesely amendment, Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I simply rise to support the Wesely amendment. I think it does...something we did not intend to do is to give this power to these privately...airports. So I'd ask for adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: You've heard...any further discussion? Senator Wesely, do you have closing? Closing is waived. The question is the adoption of the Wesely amendment. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Wesely's amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The amendment is adopted. Anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Mr. Speaker, I would move to advance LB 609 to E & R for engrossing.