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LB 309, 856

want to address that with the interested parties between now and Select File. I would though at this time, Mr. President, ask that the amendment be withdrawn. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: It is withdrawn. Anything further on the bill?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Nothing further, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Hall, there are no further lights on. Closing is waived. Question is the advancement of LB 856. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Again, I'll use this time to introduce some guests of the Legislature. Senator Cudaback has guests from Gothenburg, Bruce and Jennie Clymer, under the north balcony. Senator McKenzie has a guest from Sutton. Under the south balcony we have John Hull, Mac Tillberg and Rolland Johnson. Rolland Johnson, by the way, is Senator McKenzie's father. And we also have Steve Paustian from Grand Island under the north balcony, a guest of Senator Fisher. Would all of you please rise. We are voting on the advancement of LB 856 to E & R Initial. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance 856.

SPEAKER WITHEM: LB 309.

ASSISTANT CLERK: LB 309 was introduced by Senator Wickersham. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time January 11 of this year, referred to Natural Resources Committee. That committee reports the bill directly to General File with no committee amendments.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wickersham, on your bill.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, this bill, if you've tried to read it, you probably found it a trifle incomprehensible, but we'll try to do something about that and hopefully explain it to a level that you're comfortable with it. It really deals with three different processes with regard to certain impoundments of water. One is the initial water right or permit to impound process. The other one is the construction permit process and the other element is the inspection process and it really coordinates those processes with regard to certain low volume, low hazard dams. Now there is a change in the permit section that doesn't quite fit in that