

would have on them, their livelihoods and their families. So rather...and basically what I am attempting to do is address those concerns. I have this amendment and I have basically one other to be able to do some things to show consideration and concern for not only in this one particular case, the people who are going to be living adjoining the game refuge and the proposed controlled shooting area, this one and all others, I...other projects, I think people who live in the immediate area certainly need to have their consideration given a greater credence, greater weight than people who live farther away. But that's another amendment that I will be dealing with. If these two amendments are passed, I have no additional concern or problem with the bill and it's my understanding that the folks who are here, both those folks who are representing some of the existing controlled shooting areas and those who are concerned because they live adjoining this one, also have no additional opposition, but they can speak better for themselves. So I have basically two amendments and those amendments will deal with the interest and concern of those people and that's who I'm attempting to represent and stand here on behalf of. The first amendment is the one we have before us and that's the one that would basically allow for a two-mile buffer between a controlled shooting area and a wildlife refuge, wildlife sanctuary. It would...basically states that the area will not interfere with normal activities of migratory birds and then it goes on to create, after boundary, the boundary of the area lies within two miles of a game reserve, bird refuge, wild fowl sanctuary or reservation as established by the commission. So the amendment, you can look for yourself, as you see, it's listed in the Journal and if you have questions, I would be more than happy to answer any of those questions. And thank you for allowing me to substitute this amendment for the previous one that I had which was one that I chose not to run on General File. With that, I thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Preister. For discussion on the Preister amendment, Senator Hudkins.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Yes, Madam President and members of the body, obviously, I stand opposed to the Preister amendment. He talked about the five-mile limit being too obsessive and wanting to change that to two miles. Well, there are, I think, 38 controlled shooting areas in the State of Nebraska. Seven of those are already within the five-mile limit; four of them are within a mile limit, and three of those are within a half-mile