

are passing over LB 1059. And we turn now to Select File, Speaker major proposals, and LB 108.

CLERK: Senator Maurstad, with respect to 108, Enrollment and Review amendments, first of all, Senator.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Madam President, I'd move to adopt the E & R amendments to LB 108.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question before you is the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 108. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed nay. The E & R amendments are adopted.

CLERK: The first amendment I have to the bill, Madam President, by Senator Klein. The amendment's on page 1160 of the Journal. (AM3708)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Klein to open on his amendment.

SENATOR KLEIN: Thank you, Madam Chair, members of the body. This amendment puts the NRDs in charge of in-stream flows in this state instead of the Game and Parks Commission. It's...if there really is so much assuredness that the Game and Parks Commission is written out of the committee amendments, why they take a position of waiting until we've gone home to vote on the in-stream flow issue? Remember, this is the same out of control government agency that last year cost the taxpayers of this state almost \$700,000 in useless litigation just in the...over the same issue. I think it's time for us to reestablish our position of control over all state agencies, so why not start with this one? They use the in-stream flows to say that the reason for the decline in the number of Sandhill cranes was not enough water flowing through the Central Platte Valley allowing too much cover to grow in the area. I believe if I'd been a crane a week ago Sunday I'd a preferred much more cover. Perhaps the Game and Parks had subpoenaed God for the blizzard. Sometimes think we're also part of the species that inhabit this earth. I'm not anti-environmentalist. As a matter of fact I borrow the phrase from an American Cyanamid that I'm an active environmentalist, not an environmental activist. I don't doubt