

feelings on this matter, the Game and Parks' application. Those feelings ran very high on the irrigators' side. And then at another point in time, quite recently, they started running very high on the environmental side. And I'm afraid that a situation that hopefully could have brought people together a little bit more is right now in an unhappy state. In any event, I think it's entirely inappropriate to interject that conflict into this bill because now that in-stream flows have been eliminated from this bill, they are entirely unrelated. And on that basis, as Senator Klein knows, I will ask the Lieutenant Governor for a decision on the amendment. And my position would be, Madam Lieutenant Governor, that the amendment is not germane.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Klein, your response.

SENATOR KLEIN: Yes, page 50 in the rules said, "A nongermane amendment includes one that relates to a substantially different subject." This particular bill, if you read it, talks about in-stream flows, talks about the NRDs handling it. All we do is move what the committee amendment does, only just a little bit farther. Germane means relevant, appropriate, material, pertinent and applicable. All of those subjects fit this bill and fit this amendment. It's not very often I try and tell Senator Chambers he's wrong about something, but he said we all believe Big Red football's God and I think sometimes Senator Beutler believes in the almighty Game and Parks Commission. I met with Beutler earlier this week, he told me that science tells us we need 108. Science is ever-changing, it's not dead, it's ever exact. There are over 40,000 scientific papers published every week. He told me this amendment was controversial. I asked him if he didn't notice that 108 was controversial. He never mentioned anything about being not germane. I doubt that it was an oversight. I think this bill is germane.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Beutler, it is my interpretation of the statutes and the amendment that there is sufficient nexus between the amendment and the statute that it is germane. Senator Jones to speak to the amendment.

SENATOR JONES: Madam President, I want to stand and support it and I. I think I'd like to make a few more comments that this has kind of been upsetting to me all the way through. I thought the connection between him, but that we got that out of the