

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, it...it's a question that's interesting and a question that we've approached on some occasions in the past and, in fact, Senator Landis has made possible arbitration in a whole number of circumstances. There may be one or two instances where there's even binding arbitration required. Exploring that to a greater extent is something that would always be of interest to me. Obviously, I don't know enough about what we're talking about to say to you yes or no. I'm not sure what kind of a promise you're asking for. If you're...

SENATOR KLEIN: Big one.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...asking for time to seriously explore the problem, I'd be glad to give you time.

SENATOR KLEIN: Well, I just think that we should do that. I...that just totally irritates me to think that we spent \$700,000 of money that I paid in to fight against different groups that I'm paying into. So if you promise me to give me some cooperation on it anyway I will withdraw the amendment, Madam Chair.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Klein, you're withdrawing the amendment? The amendment is withdrawn.

CLERK: Madam President, the next amendment for consideration is by Senator Beutler. Senator, I have AM4314 in front of me. (See page 1866 of the Legislative Journal.)

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

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature, this is basically the E & R amendment that I was telling you about. It's a half a notch above E & R and that's why I'm doing it, instead of them being technically E & R amendments. All they do is to coordinate language to make it the same in one place as it was in another. This bill went through several drafts, a couple of which were by the Water Council which was not done within the legislative process so there are a couple of...several items that can be better coordinated, and that's what this does. Puts in "Director of Water Resources" when it just says "director"; inserts the word