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attention. I would ask the body to support the committee amendments to 496. Thank you.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you, Senator Bromm. The question before the body is the adoption of the committee amendments to 496. All in favor vote aye, opposed.... Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the committee amendments, Madam President.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Committee amendments are adopted. Senator Beutler, on the bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Bohlke, members of the Legislature, Senator Bromm, would...could I ask you a couple of questions, please, if you would yield.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, I wanted to explore, a little bit, the structure of the committee amendments. Lacking somewhat some of the background in this area, I'm not sure...there is probably some answer to my questions. Insofar as the committee amendment amends 86-301, it changes some of the outdated language and reinserts the language "telecommunications", and ultimately, elsewhere I think there's a reference back to telecommunications and telecommunication companies back in another section of the statutes. But what I really wanted to talk about at the moment was the addition of the language "and related facilities", up in 86-301. That appears to be...perhaps it was always implied in law, but at least is an addition of sorts that appears to current law. In those two types of facilities, the lines and the related facilities, the statute goes on to talk about the fact that (one) you're dealing with crossing public highways; and (two) upon and under lands in this state. So you have two different types of facilities dealing with two different types of locale or situations. When you then go down into your new language, in line 20, which is the consent provision, the consent provision seems to apply only to one of the two situations, that is the crossing of a public highway.