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window of opportunity that's quite adequate with eight months, and so that's why I support the Kremer amendment. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT MAURSTAD:** Thank you, Senator Bohlke. On the Kremer amendment, Senator Wehrbein.

**SENATOR WEHRBEIN:** Mr. President, members, I support Senator Kremer's amendment. Fact, I...when...I actually prefer something earlier. This represents quite a jump for me in terms of allowing the delay in zoning. I can't remember how long we've had LB 1209, but it's been quite awhile and, actually, if you go even before LB 1209 there's been lots of time for county zoning to become at least started, and I think it's time that we get serious about the need for those that want local zoning. If they do not, so be it, but we need to set the time. I think we've allowed plenty of tolerance in this. I think even eight months is plenty, in my mind. There's been already a two-year window that if they...if they, in their own minds, saw danger on the horizon could have responded and could have reacted. To me, there should be no county in the state at this point that hasn't...wouldn't have had an opportunity to initiate proceedings. And so January 1st, even to me, represents a compromise. I definitely was going to vote against the June date of 2000, and so I strongly support January 1st, even in my mind is quite a jump for me to take, so I support this amendment.

**PRESIDENT MAURSTAD:** Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Jones on the Kremer amendment.

**SENATOR JONES:** Mr. President and members of the body, I also want to stand in support of Senator Kremer's amendment, because to look at this here, all these counties in the white here that haven't even done anything yet, it's kind of a wonder that they haven't been because of the LB 1209. And I don't think we have to wait until we get through another legislative session to rightly decide whether we can do anything more or not, because what they're...what we're passing in this here amendment is something they need to do on their own anyway. It's nothing that we should do here to help them anymore. Because I think that they should go ahead and try to do it if they're going to go do it. But I've got a lot of counties in my area that's got