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give ample time for looking at it before we go into debate Tuesday afternoon. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Yes, sir, Senator Wehrbein. For further discussion on the Kremer amendment to the Schimek amendment to LB 822, Senator Matzke, followed by Schimek, Stuhr, Cudaback, Dierks, Chambers, Smith, Lynch, and Wehrbein. Senator Matzke.

SENATOR MATZKE: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature. I support what is being done here in amending this bill. I'm a little bit disappointed in the shortening of the timespan because I think that some of those who wishes...wish to shorten the time period do not take into account the really small counties. I represent Arthur County. My last information was there are only 457 people in the county. It's the smallest county, populationwise, in the state. It is the fourth smallest county in the entire United States. They have a problem faced by other counties. A large hog confinement facility is being built in Arthur County and it has alarmed a great number of people in that county. They, according to the map, are one of the white counties which are defined as counties that have not adopted a comprehensive development plan. Arthur County doesn't even have an attorney in the county. They have to go outside the county for legal advice. Small counties have problems that take more time than some of the larger counties, and I think we have to take that into account. I would prefer to leave the date as that originally set, six months later, but if that isn't satisfactory we certainly don't want to shorten it any more. Arthur County actually has started working on planning and a comprehensive plan. They've hired a consultant. I can't tell exactly whether the ball is rolling fast enough to meet the deadline or not, but I think six months is a pretty short period of time and I would request that you not shorten it any more than Senator Kremer's amendment. But I do support the Schimek amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Matzke. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I want to make very clear here that I do not want to jeopardize this bill in any way. I don't want to take up a lot