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hadn't it been thought through yet?

SENATOR STUHR: Um...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm not being critical.

SENATOR STUHR: Right, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm just trying to get information and...

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, he will vote, it's my understanding.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, he or she.

SENATOR STUHR: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And is there anything in the bill that says so?

SENATOR STUHR: I believe there's nothing in the bill that prohibits it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Would it be a good idea to have the Governor vote?

SENATOR STUHR: I, yes, I believe it's implied that he will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, and that's all I will ask you. Members of the Legislature, this was a sticking area for me because we're at a point where two foes are at loggerheads. The Governor, if he or she is allowed to vote, can tilt the direction that this board is going to go. And if the Governor is going to appoint everybody to the board, the Governor appoints all four other members, and then the Governor votes, of what value is this board? Even though a list of six people will be provided by the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission, the Governor will select three people from among those six. And by so doing, the Governor can stack this board. All the Governor needs for most decisions is one other person: the Governor, himself or herself; the person that the Governor appoints without consultation with anybody; then the other three that