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Department of Natural Resources to determine the banks of the river and then determine the boundary of the refuge utilizing the computerized mapping and global positioning satellites based on the new definition that we've found in the statute. The department would then create and maintain the maps designating the river banks and the boundaries of the refuge and the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission will then use the department's maps to post a sign and designate the boundaries of the refuge. That will end my comments and I believe that the chairman of the committee will have the comments on the committee amendment. I would encourage your support on the committee amendment as well as the advancement of the bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Senator Schrock, Chairman of the Natural Resource Committee, you're recognized on those amendments.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this amendment was presented to the committee at the time of the hearing by the Attorney General's Office. I'm not going to read the explanation of the amendment, but the problem that was presented to us was how do you describe the bank of the Platte River when it is a moving target, and where is the bank of the Platte River and where is the alluvial plain and such and such. And Senator Erdman did describe it to you, the bill to you. This just makes a clarification as to how they're going to determine where the bank of the river is and that will determine where the boundaries of the refuge are set. And the Attorney General suggested this change and we have put it in this amendment. I would urge your support of the amendment and the bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are you through, Senator Schrock?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You've heard the opening on the committee amendment. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Schrock, a couple of questions, if I