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SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, I'm just trying to find a way to include people that I very strongly feel should be included, and I feel that way because of the experience that Lincoln has had with its NRD, with the cooperative projects that go on year after year, because this bill would benefit those cooperative projects. I know in a lot of other areas of the state, because I used to follow NRDs pretty closely, cooperative projects are out there. And so if this is not agreeable, I believe I'll reintroduce the amendment asking that NRDs be included because I still have not heard a solid reason why they should not be included. But the agreement I made with Senator Flood was that if this compromise was agreeable to body, that I would stick with that, and so I think we're all anxious to see where the body wants to go on this. And I would recommend the amendment to you, and hope that you're of a mind to at least include those NRDs that nobody has any disagreement with. Nobody has expressed any disagreement on the floor with various NRDs being included, and we seem to be hung up here where there's a couple of currents of differing feelings, some related to local issues and some not. But I hope we can work our way through that and include all of the NRDs that we possibly can. And to that end, I would recommend the amendment to you. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the closing on AM0744 which is an amendment to AM0614 to LB 217. The question before the body is, shall AM0744 be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. We're voting on adoption of AM0744 offered by Senator Beutler. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 7 ayes, 22 nays, Mr. President, on the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The amendment was not adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend AM0614. (FA79, Legislative Journal page 797.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your amendment.