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SENATOR LOUDEN: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Louden. Senator Fischer, I will recognize you to close on AM2916.

SENATOR FISCHER: Thank you, Mr. President and members. Senator Mines made the comment that we have fewer PSAPs today and that that's better for Nebraska and that we need to continue in that mode. I don't disagree with that. What I disagree with is forcing counties into doing something. We're only talking about a few counties in the state here. We've seen that PSAPs on their own are starting to merge together and to consolidate when they see efficiencies. We're going to find that true on counties also. I don't disagree that we need to have this system across the state. What I disagree with again is the forcing of it. In this amendment, the Public Service Commission still has the discretion on how they want to fund. That's not being taken away and I'm sure the Public Service Commission is going to make wise decisions on how they're going to use that money to fund these projects. Senator Mines and I also just had a visit and I think we're willing to move this and then work on Select File and maybe tweaking some areas of it. Once again, I would just like to remind you that the counties, Public Service Commission, and Omaha are all in favor of my amendment. And I would urge you to support me in passing it. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Fischer. You've heard the closing on the Fischer amendment, AM2916. The question before the body is, should that amendment be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. The question before the body is the Fischer amendment to the committee amendments to LB 1222. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 6 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Fischer amendment has been adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.