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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Friend. Senator Janssen, further discussion.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. Thank you, Senator Friend. I had a problem with the bill the last time we addressed it. I have a couple of cities that have their own gas companies and they were concerned with the extraterritorial rights. This amendment takes care of that problem and I am in favor of the bill at this time. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. I see no further lights on. Senator Friend, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR FRIEND: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Only to add, in a short discussion with Senator Wehrbein, very excellent point brought up. Here's what this bill does now, this is what we're dealing with. This bill requires jurisdictional municipal metropolitan utilities districts to go seek that PSC or Public Service Commission approval before you start driving that pipe out into areas that you're not supposed to be or could be deemed not supposed to be, instead of going to ask for permission later. This corrects the law the way I see it, I hope you see it that way, too. I ask for the advancement of the amendment again and the advancement of the bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You've heard the closing. The question before the body is, shall AM3162 be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Voting on adoption of the Friend amendment, AM3162 to LB 1249. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Friend's amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Friend amendment has been adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next motion I have, Senator Bourne, I now have AM2218.