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SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes, sir.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Don Pederson, I had talked to your staff about this bill. I had read the committee statement. So exactly what is aimed to be done by our adopting this language?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: It simply removes the requirement in a subsequent section of this statute and puts it in context where it will flow to where you know that what we're doing if you're going to create a district by petition of the owners. It takes two-thirds of the owners, and if they're going to do it with the...and if they're not doing it by that, they're going to do it with the city requiring three-fourths. And that three-fourths happens to be in another section of the statute and you might have confusion, and we did have confusion in North Platte because they couldn't tell whether it required just a majority vote of the council and mayor, or, in this case, it was supposed to be a three-fourths vote, and that's why I moved the sections in order to comply with the requirement, just to make it readable and to put it in the proper context.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And this is why you told us that it really does not do anything new. It simply put...brings together things that are related to each other and a person reading the law as it will exist, if LB 649 is adopted, will have everything that a person needs to know right there in one location in the statute, is that correct?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: All the things...yes, all the things that affect extension districts of this nature. You will know the number of people that are required to create that district.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, and this is exactly how it had been explained to me but I wanted it clearly on the record while Senator Tyson was listening because I now would like to ask him a question if he's willing to answer.

SENATOR TYSON: Eager to answer.