

or the stricken language is the rearrangement of language to make it flow more smoothly. I will be glad to address the six areas that I actually changed, that are actually changing LB 577. This is an update of 577 really. It is a refinement after several years of experience.

SENATOR KELLY: Senator Kremer when we were making 577 development and utilization was stricken from 577 on the basis that we could not tell what development is. Is that future development?

SENATOR KREMER: It would include future and present development. Sometimes you have to attempt to read the future. We have now in several areas of the state, we have models that are under operation in an attempt to analyze what is going to be happening five years down the line, ten years down the line, fifteen years down the line and hopefully we can stay ahead of the game and do what we need to to avoid crisis.

SENATOR KELLY: All right, so your purpose for inserting this in LB 26 is to anticipate trouble areas and "outguess Mother Nature"?

SENATOR KREMER: Hopefully we can do that.

SENATOR KELLY: Thank you, Senator Kremer. On page 5, we have rearranged the language of setting up the determination or the duties of the Director of Water Resources in setting a control area. Is this intended that the Director of Water Resources Department, his authority is increased in the setting of critical areas?

SENATOR KREMER: No, sir, not necessarily and it deals chiefly with an area adjacent to a control area. If the director, after conducting a hearing, sees an area adjacent or tied to the area that is under consideration, if he feels they have got the same problems, he can suggest that they consider going under control right with the one that is under consideration. Before he can do anything or even bring them in he has to conduct another hearing. He has to advertise in the paper and after he has had that hearing he cannot bring that adjacent area in unless by written consent of that adjacent area.

SENATOR KELLY: So the point where we still have the local control of the establishment of critical areas is set on the basis that the initiation has to come from the people in the area, not from the state?

SENATOR KREMER: Yes, the final count has to come from them.