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Lamb's bill will do this, it may do it. Senator Koch's amendment to the Lamb amendment simply says they shall do it. I support both. I think it is necessary. Public power in the State of Nebraska has come to the surface again after about fifteen years. About fifteen years ago the Power Review Board was established and it is really my opinion in the little part that I have had in it, we are going to have to strengthen this Power Review Board and I think by so doing this, giving them a little more authority in certain cases, we are going to build confidence, at least to a degree on the part of the ratepayer that I think we have been losing. It is another agency that is a liaison between the user and the supplier and I think we owe this to the public. I believe this amendment as amended will do exactly that.

SENATOR NICHOL PRESIDING

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Keyes, did you want to speak to the Koch amendment to the Lamb amendment? Senator Lamb, would you like to speak to the amendment to the amendment?

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. Chairman, merely to endorse the Koch amendment. I think it is a beneficial addition to my amendment.

SENATOR NICHOL: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease. Who called for the question, please? Senator Koch.

CLERK: Senator Nichol voting aye.

SENATOR NICHOL: Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: Debate is ceased. We are now ready to vote on the Koch amendment to the Lamb amendment. Would you like to close, Senator Koch? All right. You may now vote yes if you are in favor of the Koch amendment to the Lamb amendment, red for no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the Koch amendment, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: The Koch amendment is adopted to the Lamb amendment. Now we are back on the Lamb amendment. Would you please turn off your lights if you do not wish to speak to this and if you do... Senator Kelly, to the Lamb amendment.