

April 24, 1979

LB 438 and 547

SPEAKER MARVEL: All provisions of law having been complied with, the question is, shall the bill pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. We're voting on LB 438 on Final Reading. Have you all voted? Clerk, record the vote.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read record vote which may be found on Pages 1609 and 1610 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 26 ayes, 11 nays, 4 excused and not voting and 8 present and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The bill is declared passed. The Clerk will now read on Final Reading LB 547.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion on the desk. Senator Kremer moves to return LB 547 to Select File for a specific amendment. That amendment is on Page 1558 of the Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I'll try to explain the amendment. First of all it separates the processing of an application for the use of water out of a stream. It separates from a stream that request that would pertain to the use of water out of a reservoir. This should have been caught earlier. I'm sorry, but it wasn't. I checked with the Department of Water Resources and the workload for processing an application from a stream is much much greater than out of a reservoir. The way the bill now reads the fee assessed by the Department of Water Resources for the appropriation of water out of a stream is now \$200 for the first 1,000 acres to be irrigated and then \$100 for each additional 1,000 acres. The amendment would provide that instead of \$200 for the processing of an application from a reservoir be dropped from \$200 to \$50 as related to the irrigation of 1,000 acres and \$25 for each additional 1,000 acres. I move the return of the bill for the adoption of that amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cullan, do you wish to speak to the amendment?

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I would like to ask a question of Senator Kremer, if he would yield, please.

SENATOR KREMER: Yes, sir.