

makes is to make it clear that when a special election is called by a political subdivision, to ask the voters to permit tax funds raised by the political subdivision to be used for railroad revitalization, that those special elections can be conducted only in odd numbered years. Now the reason for that is that if there is a regularly scheduled primary or general election in an even numbered year, it ought to be put on the ballot at a time when all voters are going to be turning out for a regularly scheduled election. It does permit a special election on an odd numbered year so that the plans can proceed if there is no general or primary election conducted that odd numbered year. Now the second thing that this does is it amends subsection 4 of section 24 of the white copy, which I understand is now presently section 25 of the bill, to indicate that the voters have got to be notified of the source of tax funds as well as being told the purpose for which the funds will be spent and the amount of funds that are going to be spent. It lays down a third requirement and that is the voters have to be told what the source of funds are going to be, whether it is property taxes or what other source of funds it is going to be taken from for the funds that are going to be used to help revitalize the railroads. Now the third thing thing this set of amendments does is it makes it clear that the three public members of the statewide council, the statewide branch rail revitalization council, cannot have a personal economic stake in railroad revitalization around the state, so that those three public members will be truly objective, truly objective persons in attempting to decide what the statewide railroad revitalization plans should be and how that plan should be administered by the councils, and it attempts to do that by taking language from the conflict of interest section and providing that these three public members cannot have an interest in any decisions that are made by the statewide council itself. So those are the three amendments, Mr. Speaker, and I would ask that they be adopted by the Legislature.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the Hoagland amendments as explained. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? We are voting on the second set of the Hoagland amendments to LB 507 as explained by Senator Hoagland. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the Hoagland amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The amendment's adopted. Senator Kremer, do you want to move the advancement