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SENATOR KREMER: Senator Schmit, my intent at this point is to give you the ten major provisions of the bill simply because of the hour. Then tomorrow morning, I have had laid on your desks and all the other Senators desks an explanation of each section of the bill and I will go through them tomorrow morning.

SENATOR SCHMIT: But the point I want to make is this, I would like to have that explanation prior to the adoption of the committee amendments because I think it is critical that the members of the body understand exactly, and I know that not very many people understood or even caught the portion on the first page of the bill which outlines a very important aspect of the bill. It says "each violation every day shall be a separate penalty and I think that we ought to get these people to understand or to listen as to what they are doing here and I think that either we do it tonight or do it in the morning but I certainly don't want to have a motion to advance or to adopt the amendments in a few minutes here without everyone understanding what is in there.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay, Senator Schmit, I will withdraw my motion to adopt the committee amendments. I will just make an explanation of them and, Mr. Speaker, I would like to withdraw my motion to adopt the committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, if there is no objection, so ordered.

SENATOR KREMER: Senator Schmit, is that okay?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, go ahead, Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay, major provision number six, it would authorize any Natural Resource District to require measuring devices on wells and to adopt more restrictive well spacing even though they are not under control. This would allow any NRD to make that requirement for informational purposes chiefly. Number seven is LB 984, Senator Schmit, the bill introduced by you that provides legislative intent for the state planning and review process. Number eight, it would authorize additional political subdivisions to apply for permits to transport groundwater. Presently the present law says that if a municipality wants to drill a system of wells they have to get a permit to transport that water to the area of distribution such as into a city even though the well is located outside of the city limits and it would also provide that four other state agencies would have to get a permit because these others, too, are supplying water