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is necessary when the line will not be longer than 660 feet. It does change section 6 and amends it to the extent that any line can be constructed if all affected parties, including those that I named, have been notified and agree that construction may proceed, in writing. These are the amendments. I move for their adoption.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Vickers, you had your light on. Do you wish to talk? First of all, we are speaking to the committee amendments. Do you move the adoption of the committee amendments? Okay. Senator Vickers, do you want to speak to the committee amendments.

SENATOR VICKERS: Very briefly, Mr. President. LB 611, when it was first introduced, had some opposition from the railroad people and from the telephone people in the hearing. We got all three sides together. They met in my office, as a matter of fact, one morning and I insisted they bring their engineers in, each from the three sides, one from the telephone company, one from the rural electrics and one from the railroads, and the committee amendments that Senator Kremer just explained to you is the result of that meeting. This is agreed upon by the three entities involved. Now, I understand the Public Service Commission has sent a letter in maybe a little bit critical of this, but I would suggest to the body that perhaps they are attempting to protect a few jobs over there and some of their own turf, but since we do have the three entities involved, the railroads, the telephone companies and the electrical companies, all in agreement of these amendments, I would certainly urge the body's adoption of the committee amendments to 611.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Sieck, do you wish to speak first to the committee amendments?

SENATOR SIECK: No, I will call the question on the committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you want to move the adoption of the committee...

SENATOR SIECK: I move the adoption of the....

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion has been made. Your presentation supports the committee amendments. Is that right?

SENATOR SIECK: Right.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wagner, do you wish to be heard