

February 25, 1981

LB 246

to E & R for Review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is advanced. The next bill, LB 246.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 246 was offered by Senator Howard Lamb. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 16. It was referred to Public Works for hearing. It was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending by the Public Works Committee, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, the committee adopted three really minor amendments to LB 246, and I will try to explain them. Number one, it exempts a public power supplier, that's public, which has obtained a permit from paying an additional fee when its wells are registered, and they must be registered. It does away with the duplication of an assessment of a fee. Number two, it clarifies that the requirement that replacement wells be...that wells... abandoned wells must be registered only when the abandoned well has a registered well or one required to be registered. It clarifies that. Then, number three, it emphasizes that the statute requiring over a thousand feet between certain types of wells applies to registered wells, that is that unregistered wells are not entitled to this protection. This is currently in the statutes, but the committee amended the bill to the extent that it would reinforce this provision. That is the explanation of the three amendments. They are really minor in nature and yet rather important, and I do move for the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 246.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 246. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The committee amendments are adopted. Now, Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature,