

studied it. I don't deny that. But they both had a good study of the problem and I think it will be resolved whatever happens to the bill. But I also want to note that way back in 1969 when 1357 was highly debated here...(interruption)

PRESIDENT: Senator, just a minute, please. (Gavel.) May we have order in the Chamber, please. I doubt that the speaker can be heard. (Gavel.) Senator Sieck, go ahead.

SENATOR SIECK: Yes. Back in 1969 when LB 1357 which was a bill I was quite involved with in reorganization of the Soil Districts into a Natural Resource District, now this was held, the first hearing was in the Ag and Environment Committee. So these type of things do change around and I think we have no qualms about this. So with that I will close and hope you allow this to stay in the Ag and Environment Committee. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Are we discussing dividing the question?

PRESIDENT: No, the question has been divided. The question is, shall LB 227 and 284 go to the Public Works Committee and then the same question as to 463.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, I guess there is a couple of things that bothers me about this. Senator Beutler, to my knowledge, didn't appear at any of the public hearings to have any input and he keeps referring to it as "my bill, my bill and my bill." Well, as Chairman of the Executive Board, I feel that maybe he should be neutral on this instead of trying to take my bill and do with it what he wishes. The Public Works Committee held hearings on these issues also. So as far as I am concerned, I believe I am going to have to go along with tradition and support Senator Schmit in Public Works Committee and I'll relinquish the rest of my time to Senator Labeledz.

PRESIDENT: Senator Labeledz, four minutes, Senator.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to take one minute because I have a question for Senator Schmit and I was a little leery that I wouldn't get to ask it in case someone called the question. Senator Schmit, I am very