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SENATOR LAMB: Okay, we'll look in Section 1, clarifies the fact that only one application has to be filed. I think you'll see there on page 3, subsection 7, the new language says...or the old language says, "For filing any petition, affidavit or other paper," And then it adds this new language, "Or application for which no fee has been fixed, \$10.00." So it clarifies that if there is no fee in here at this point that it is \$10.00.

SENATOR VICKERS: Oh, in other words, you are telling me that the bill a few years ago really didn't establish a fee? Is that...?

SENATOR LAMB: Well there was...as I understand it, it was not clear in the language whether or not they did. I believe they were charging the fee but they needed the clarification. I could be mistaken on that point.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay, thank you very much, Senator Lamb.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. President and members, I also urge the support of this bill. I didn't happen to have the pleasure of being on the Public Works Committee and my name is not on it. Another section that I might say is Section 3. This is a very important section to the bill. In the past if a dam has been constructed and it backed water up on your neighbors, whether from irrigation or a natural stream, we really had no way of getting that dam removed short of a court case. Many of us did not want to sue our neighbors, we didn't want to make problems, so consequently, we just set back and took the water and accepted the consequence. This section is very important and it gives a little more recourse against a dam that was constructed illegally and is doing damage in backing water up on your neighbor's property. So for that particular reason also, I do urge the support of this body. It does give legal recourse and it is easier to get that dam taken out. Thanks.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Lamb, to close on the bill.

SENATOR LAMB: No closing, Mr. President.