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SENATOR HOLMQUIST: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'd like permission to have an Executive Session of the Public Works Committee after Final Reading this morning over in the Legislative Council room. We've got a lot of bills to kill.

PRESIDENT: I guess that announcement is self-explanatory. Bills on Final Reading. What is the first one? 542. Everybody in their seats. Bills on Final Reading. The Clerk will read.

LB 542

CLERK: Title read.

LB 542.

PRESIDENT: Just a minute. The Chair recognizes Senator Waldron.

SENATOR WALDRON: Mr. President, I have an amendment on that 542, there somewhere. I don't know what happened to it.

CLERK: Mr. President, there was an amendment that was inserted in the Journal and for some reason we didn't get it attached to the bill. It appears in the Legislative Journal at the end of the Journal for the seventeenth day or right after page 471.

PRESIDENT: Senator Waldron.

CLERK: What we will need is a motion to return it to Select File, Mr. President, for a specific amendment signed by Senator Waldron.

SENATOR WALDRON: Mr. President, I make that motion. I did sign one of those previously that was delivered to my desk by the Assistant Clerk for my signature. But I will make the motion to return to Select File for a specific amendment. And then I can discuss the amendment.

SENATOR BURBACH: I would object.

PRESIDENT: Senator Burbach. The motion has been made and seconded to be returned to Select File for a specific amendment. Any further discussion--

SENATOR WALDRON: I would like to talk on the motion.

PRESIDENT: You want to--- It is open for discussion now. Did you want to talk on it, Senator Waldron.

SENATOR WALDRON: I'm prepared. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this amendment is the one that I had printed in the Journal previously and alerted you that it would come up today. Now, this amendment to LB542 is sort of the last attempt made to try to bring rationality into the Soil and Water Conservation program. This amendment will repeal LB1357 which was passed in a previous Legislature and this amendment is essentially the same as LB117 was this session which failed earlier. So once again, I think most people have their minds made up on how they are going to vote on this so I'm sure we don't need much discussion. But once again, I think we ought to slow in the area of the creation of the Natural Resources Districts. It would appear to me that the districts with their one mill levy will be immediately short of funds.