

commercial golf course uses they'll allow the transfer, and afterwards, if it seems to have done something bad, they can come in and have a hearing. With regard to domestic livestock transfers or agricultural transfers, those are simply flatly prohibited right now under the law. And they would be even with Wehrbein's amendment, and even with Bernard-Stevens' amendment. What we're doing here is elevating commercial golf courses to a transfer right above a number of other things that I think you and I would determine to be more important, regardless of which set of amendments are adopted here. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Anyone else wishing to discuss the Wehrbein amendment? Seeing no one, Senator Wehrbein, do you wish to close?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members. I want to clarify it's not my intention to change what's going on...I mean, what I'm offering here is no change from the way it is now. If you're...if you...if you're damaged now, as a water user, you have to prove that you are, the way I understand it. So this intent is not to do that. It simply says if there has been a permit acquired, in this case would be 200 or over, if...I'm trying to amend the change that's being proposed here in the amendment, and that's why I think it's a little bit confusing to everyone. But I'm just simply saying if that is to happen, it would be something over 200, or if it's under 200 and there's no permit required, you have a method to gain some compensation, or at least stop the pumping. And that is not so much different than it is now, except that if there was a permit and the original hydrology didn't show that there would be any damage, and ultimately turned out to be, I wanted to be sure there was some recourse with the director. In this case, it might...wouldn't have to go through a court of law, I assume a hearing would have to be done by the director of natural resources who controls the permit. That's the intent, that there is something happens before it's too late. And the other thing, I guess, practically speaking, time it ended up in the court system it might take an extra long time, the water could be all gone in an extended period of drought. I'm simply trying to get some active recourse here immediately with the Department of Water Resources.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. You've heard the closing on the Wehrbein amendment. We will now vote on the Wehrbein amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote