

Mr. HATFIELD. I thank the Senator from Montana. My answer is that, "yes", all projects incurring the same impacts from the Federal water releases associated with fish and wildlife mitigation should be treated the same. That provision in the report urges BPA to enter into equitable energy exchange agreements. Moreover, such agreements should not increase costs for BPA.

Mr. BURNS. I thank the Senator from Oregon, my constituents will be very pleased. Let us hope that Bonneville will faithfully follow the committee's urging on this matter.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I think we are in sight of the goal line on this bill. If Members have amendments yet pending or have registered in their respective Cloakrooms an intention to offer an amendment by the terms relevant or whatever else, we would like to have them come now because we are down to the last handful of amendments and then final passage.

I do not anticipate any votes on the remaining amendments. I do not think they are that controversial, but I am just making a judgment. We are inquiring as to the leadership's view about putting the final passage vote over until tomorrow to relieve other Senators who are not involved in the amendment process. As soon as we get that information, I will relay it.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. EXON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. DEWINE). Without objection, it is so ordered.

AMENDMENT NO. 5140

(Purpose: To provide funding for the Institute of Railroad Safety)

Mr. EXON. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nebraska [Mr. EXON] proposes an amendment numbered 5140.

At the appropriate place in the bill add the following new section:

SEC. . THE RAILROAD SAFETY INSTITUTE.

Of the money available to the Federal Rail Administration up to \$500,000 shall be made available to establish and operate the Institute for Railroad Safety as authorized by the Swift Rail Development Act of 1994.

Mr. EXON. Mr. President, this is something that the Senate approved last year. It is a very important matter with regard to railroad safety. The matter has been cleared on both sides, I believe. I urge its adoption.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I urge its adoption.

The amendment (No. 5140) was agreed to.

Mr. EXON. I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. HATFIELD. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. EXON. I thank the Chair and I thank the managers of the bill.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I think we are down now to the last three or four amendments. I hope the Senators who have those amendments—I could enumerate the Senators by name, but I do not think I want to do that at this point—at least will have the courtesy to call the floor and tell us whether they are going to offer their amendments or not. Is that asking too much? Please, please, make it a little easier to complete our business here.

To the Senators who put a place hold on amendments to the respective cloakrooms, at least let us know whether you plan to do it or not. We have contacted some Senators. They say, "Oh, I'm not going to offer that after all," but we have not been informed. I think everybody's mother taught them better manners. So much for my lecture. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMEMORATING THE 80TH BIRTHDAY OF DAVID BRODY

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, just moments ago I left a reception for a friend, David Brody. I am very pleased to just rise briefly and commemorate the 80th birthday of one of the most remarkable men who it has been my privilege to know, Mr. David Brody.

He is perhaps best known to all of us in the Senate as the "101st Senator," which was a characterization appropriately applied to him in 1989 in a Senate resolution which passed unanimously.

That resolution was passed on the occasion of David Brody's so-called "retirement" from the Anti-Defamation League of the B'Nai B'rith. As I have previously noted in other remarks, it was most carefully phrased so as to avoid any mention of the word "retirement."

There is nothing "retiring" about David Brody—nothing. He remains the essence and embodiment of energy, spirit, enthusiasm, and good will which he has always been.

It has been my personal pleasure on occasion to pay tribute to David Brody on the Senate floor, to participate in a retirement ceremony on his behalf several years ago, and most recently on March 11, 1993, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the wedding of Bea and David Brody. I have informed David that he and I have one thing in common for very certain above all oth-

ers, and it is that we both "severely overmarried." The marriage and partnership of Bea and David enriches our lives in so many ways, a monument to their boundless love to each other, and to the innumerable good works of each of them individually.

So on David's 80th birthday, I am certain he will have cause to reflect on his good fortune in spending evermore time and more than the 50 years of life wedded to that fine lady. And all of us will have cause to reflect upon our own good fortune in having David with us for now 80 years.

And our wish for him is that he may have many more years of life to savor. My wife Ann and I wish him Godspeed and all our love. I thank the Chair and I yield the floor.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO DAVID BRODY

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, the Senator from Wyoming, just a few minutes ago, addressed the celebration of the 80th birthday of a friend of the U.S. Senate, a friend of most every U.S. Senator, David Brody. There was a celebration of that on the Hill this evening.

It is most appropriate that Senators help David Brody celebrate his 80th birthday because he is so well known, he has been so active on the Hill, and he has been, in the truest sense of the word, a public-spirited person, a person who has been civic-minded about his responsibilities to Government. He has represented a lot of good causes, as he has interacted with Members of the U.S. Senate throughout his career on the Hill.

A few years ago, you could have read a newspaper article that stated it better than any of us could have. It was about how David Brody is respected. In that newspaper article he was referred to as the 101st Senator.

So I wish David Brody a happy birthday. I wish him and his wife well in the future. Happy birthday.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1997

The Senate continued with consideration of the bill.

UNANIMOUS-CONSENT AGREEMENT

Mr. HATFIELD. Mr. President, I have the following unanimous consent agreement that has been cleared with the two leaders, Republican Senator TRENT LOTT and Democratic leader TOM DASCHLE.