

pay a cost, you pay part of the cost of the special protection area, even if you had nothing to do with it. Even if there's a factual investigation and the people of Beatrice had nothing to do with the pollution, we're saying to them, you pay most of the costs because most of the taxpayers in that NRD are in Beatrice; likewise North Platte, likewise Scottsbluff, likewise Kearney, likewise Grand Island. I guess I just hope that this will be revisited at one point, or I suppose if it comes around to the time when we're looking at factories in Omaha, maybe what we want to be able to say to this Legislature is, well we'll all help clean up that problem. Even though it's a future problem, and I want to reiterate again, remember, we're not talking about cleaning up past problems, we're talking about regulation to prevent future pollution. It seems to me you can't have it both ways. And it seems to me that the way we should have it is to put the burden of the cost, at least some of the burden of the cost, this bill puts none of the burden of the cost on those who should have the incentive, who should be given the incentive to use the very best practices and policies that our technology presents to us. And with the exception of possibly one area in the state, there is no area of the state, no area of the state that is using known best practices, best management practices across the board in their areas. We're not even using the technology that we know. We're not even using technology that really doesn't hurt us economically. What, for example, is the harm of precluding the fall application of fertilizers? Some inconvenience, in a rare year a little more than an inconvenience, but still I think everybody I've talked to recognizes fertilizers can be applied in the spring. And yet the farmers that I talk to say maybe half of their colleagues or more are still in that practice. And I hear this even in areas where there is a pollution problem, a clearly known pollution problem. So you can only...I know I'm boring you at this point, so I will indeed stop. But I hope you will give further consideration to this between now and Select File. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Morrissey, followed by Senator Rod Johnson. Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Madam President and members. I guess if there is a factual investigation that can clearly identify a polluter, then we're not talking about nonpoint source anymore. And as Senator Coordsen said, when you can see it coming out of the stack it's pretty easy to identify who's doing it. And when you can see it coming out of the waste pipes