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preference over manufacturing or industrial use. These preferences are listed in Section 46-613. It also requires that the controls be uniform for all portions of the area which have similar climatic, hydrologic, geologic, and soil conditions. This bill does strengthen a municipality's stand when it comes to water use, so that part...and it is...it is the amendment that Senator Erdman had and we have incorporated here. That's why he has withdrawn his amendment. I would, once again, reiterate the 1 cent for the NRDs is a property tax increase. It affects me probably just as much as anybody in this body. I do not like property taxes. I think most of you know that. But when it comes to water issues, our NRDs do need some more authority and I think this is what we need to do. I would be very surprised if your NRDs, if the Lower Platte South in Lincoln and the Papio NRD, would levy anything for this purpose because I don't think you have the water issues in the eastern part of the state that we have in the central and western part of the state. I would ask for you to advance this amendment. If you have any questions, I'd be glad to try and answer them. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. You heard the opening on AM3199, which is an amendment to the final division of the divided committee amendments, FA1515. Open for discussion on AM3199. Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Senator Schrock, would you yield to a question, please?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock, would you respond?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, I will.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you. I had earlier said that AM3199 raised property taxes by only one penny per hundred, but then I look on page 6 and 7. It appears that the provisions of LB 32 are incorporated in this as well?

SENATOR SCHROCK: That's not correct.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. What is the natural...this language