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SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, a question of Senator Carsten.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR MARESH: I call your attention to townships in my area that did not levy any money last year and now how will this effect these subdivisions that had no levy in prior years?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Senator Mares, we have checked into that and to the best of our understanding they did have a budget or a levy the year before. There may be, as I said earlier, some technical things that we may need to address and that certainly would be one of them. We may have to provide for that but we are believing that if they have had a budget within the last two years that they could use that as a base and go from there for a proposed budget that they might have had this last year.

SENATOR MARESH: So if you find the need you will put this on Select File?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes, sir. I think that is part of our responsibility, Senator Mares, and we will sure try to address it to a satisfactory answer.

SENATOR MARESH: Another concern, suppose a new SID forms? How will this limitation affect them?

SENATOR CARSTEN: My understanding is that a newly formed governmental subdivision would establish their base with their first year's operation.

SENATOR MARESH: Another question, how will this affect NRDs if we should increase our allocation for water development, say we double it from the state? How will this affect NRDs on their budgets?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Any monies that they receive from the state will be taken into consideration in the 7% limit. If there is more monies that come from the state or on a continuing basis, then that will reflect in their budget on the 7% overall picture. If it is only a one shot deal it will not affect them at all in any way.

SENATOR MARESH: So you don't think this, if we keep increasing our water development fund we won't run into problems with the bill the way it is written?