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I think other of us should have caught this. I think what Senator Beutler is proposing to do is to make it equal and fair for all parties that may be interested in the purchase of land that is available under this provision in the law and I want to compliment Senator Beutler for picking up this issue at this point and I support him strongly in bringing the bill back and considering the amendment he has proposed. Thank you, Chris, thank you, Senator Beutler, for being diligent and picking up something the rest of us missed that we should have caught.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cope.

SENATOR COPE: Mr. President, members, a question of Senator Beutler. Senator Beutler, I certainly approve of the concept but I do have one question though. Does this mean that the farmer or the public, not public, but individual is going to be bidding against a state agency? You mentioned Game and Parks or other public, and they could have more money than the land is worth and that is my question.

SENATOR BEUTLER: To my knowledge, Senator Cope, the answer to that is, yes. I am not aware of anything in the law that gives the first buyback privilege to the private owner but I can't say that I've researched that particular question thoroughly either.

SENATOR COPE: Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. President, members of the body, I have a question of Senator Beutler.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beutler, do you yield?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes, sir.

SENATOR SIECK: Yes, Senator Beutler, would this mean that the entity who bought the property and is paying it back, such as an NRD, and paying the State of Nebraska back in increments or saving the money to pay it back would also have to have the property appraised to get a fair market value on it?

SENATOR BEUTLER: If I understand your question correctly, the answer is, yes. Either way they would have to have it appraised because I assume they don't know...unless they know who is going to buy it but, yes, they would have to have it appraised.