

pursue it a little bit further. What would happen using as an example the Upper Big Blue if it would impose rules and regulations to extend the life of the aquifer for 100 years? Just a ball park figure, I would believe they would have to cut the application of water as it is being used today in the Upper Big Blue down to from 3 to 4 or 5 inches. That is nothing really. In most years there would be a crop failure on a dry year at least. It certainly would be impractical at that point. Now in order to do that, and I hope we can extend it a 100 years and I think we can, but along with that we are going to have to move some water and we will have to impound some water, and if we do those things, I think it can be done, when we get some kind of a plan worked out where we can restore some water in the State of Nebraska and I think...and I am going to in my closing remarks today, if we ever get to that when we will try to summarize the bill, I am going to show you a map as to what Nebraska has. It's a map put together by the Ogallala study and some of the USDA people showing what Nebraska's water is, how much we have and I will tell you we are pretty lucky people, and if we can do some of the things I have just now suggested, I will go along with you for a 100 years.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Well, Senator Kremer....

SENATOR KREMER: Not now, until we get some of this water stored and if we get some of this water moved from one place to another.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Well, Senator Kremer, I would also be willing to consider some friendly amendments to this amendment that we make exceptions for areas like the Big Blue where it would be impossible to do it. But I think in most areas of the state a 100 year life goal is not impossible at this point and there is no harm in putting that into the law.

SENATOR KREMER: I will agree with you in most places there is no problem but there is four or five others that are developing where it would be a problem, and I think it would be impractical to cut....

PRESIDENT: One minute on your time, Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: ...the use of water down in my district so that it would last a 100 years unless some of these other things come into play. This is why I will have to oppose the amendment. Thank you.