

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, I think I have discovered the flaw in our water problems. I was listening to Senator Hoagland and Senator Hoagland said, this will protect the small farmer with only 3, 4, 5 sections of ground. And I suddenly realized that Peter probably isn't that familiar with small farmers. I know quite a few small farmers and 3, 4, 5 sections of farm ground is a pretty good hunk of territory. What...5 sections would be 3000 plus acres, and if Peter is premising his water legislation and his various proposals upon these fundamental misunderstandings of what the world is like out there, then possibly we should be a little cautious before we immediately adopt legislation to protect "the small farmer with only 3, 4, 5 sections of ground." Most small farmers in my territory would be awful happy with even one section of farm ground, even less than that they would be pretty plumb happy with, most of them. So that may be wherein the problem lies, a complete misunderstanding of what really exists out in the world he is trying to change.

SENATOR HEFNER: The Chair recognizes Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: Mr. Speaker, members, I have a question of Senator Schmit, if he would, please.

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Schmit, will you yield?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, Senator Hefner.

SENATOR WAGNER: Senator Schmit, a little bit ago you made some comments about land use planning and this is kind of a concern of mine because I think many times we try to get some land use planning in some water legislation, and now my question to you is, the bill the way it sits without the amendment is basically just water legislation and nothing to do with land use planning. Is that right? Would you care to respond to that?

SENATOR SCHMIT: The bill is a water legislation bill, that is right, Senator Wagner. The matter of land use is one which has to be determined by each individual land owner based upon his own assessment of the capability of his land and the manner in which he wants to use it.

SENATOR WAGNER: Thank you, because I think in the past we have had other legislation where they have tried to get it in pollution, that pollution is a factor to get like land use planning. In my area the attempt was made