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Section 17 outlines a number of purposes, a number of things that the fund may do such as borrow money and issue bonds, etcetera, etcetera. Another thing it can do is assist cities in the preparation of plans, studies or reports necessary for the local governing body to declare areas to be blighted or substandard as defined in Section 18-2103. It is my opinion that if the cities are concerned, the cities should take up that responsibility themselves. What will happen, in fact, if this section stays in there is that the fund will pay for consultants to go out and declare a particular area as blighted or substandard. We have seen it already in Lincoln and let me point out to you as a practical matter the firm that is going to be employed to do that is going to be very good at finding an area blighted or substandard. I don't see any point in paying them out of fund monies. If the cities and counties or particular areas are interested in doing that sort of study, let them pay for it themselves but don't issue tax exempt bonds for that purpose too. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, I would like to ask Senator Beutler a question.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Beutler, will you yield?

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Beutler, your primary interest here is so that we don't see the sales basically running around trying to encourage the use of this mechanism. Is that basically it?

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, if the cities and the counties are going to get involved, I would like them to think about it a little bit and I think they think about it more if they are spending their own money.

SENATOR NEWELL: Okay, now you know one of the purposes for this proposal is to assist in some of the smaller communities, some of the communities that wouldn't have the resources and so forth. Is it your intent to make them also pay their own money in order to be involved in this...to be able to take advantage of this proposal? In other words, you don't care about the size of the community, you just don't want....you want it to be a local initiative.

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, I would treat everybody alike, Senator Newell, everybody who is interested in doing this sort of thing if they can do it, that is fine.