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Kearney area, I would say there is very little difference. If, on the other hand, you are in the Platte Valley under the TriCounty System some place between Maxwell and Lexington, then I would say there is quite a bit of difference because that is obviously artificially induced.

SENATOR COPE: And the same of course in the Sandhills depending on what area of the Sandhills that you have sub-irrigation.

SENATOR VICKERS: If you've got a place to put in more surface water, yes, I suppose.

SENATOR COPE: The reason I'm asking these questions, the part that bothers me most with, when we pass a law it should be for the State of Nebraska and I'm not sure. That is the reason I'm asking. This is special legislation, correct?

SENATOR VICKERS: No. You're right, it is for the State of Nebraska but...

SENATOR COPE: But is it for a special area?

SENATOR VICKERS: As an exNRD board member yourself you know that it is administered by the local people at the local level.

SENATOR COPE: I know but it is the only place then in Nebraska that it can be practiced.

SENATOR VICKERS: It is the only place in Nebraska...well for all practical purposes it is the only place that it would be practices, yes.

SENATOR COPE: That's what I'm thinking. I guess another part that bothers is the limited area, a township. You're cutting down the NRD area considerably.

SENATOR VICKERS: No, no. If you'll read that language ...

SENATOR COPE: I thought I did.

SENATOR VICKERS: Perhaps Senator Haberman was a little bit misunderstanding and I would appreciate the opportunity to explain that but what that section refers to is an area that already has a control area established and if there are a precinct or precincts within a control area already established with regulations already in place, that want more stringent regulations than what the control area regulations have been established by the NRD board, then the procedure as outlined here....