

some slightly different arrangement because of the bond document, we will not be, according to the Attorney General, in an unconstitutional position of guaranteeing these bonds. It's on the face of the bill. It's on the face of the Constitution. It's on the face of the authority that is created by the bill and granted and parceled out in the bill and the Attorney General opines to the same effect that our boiler plate express statement of authority does not extend to an acceptance of any responsibility to repay a defaulted loan payment by a city.

PRESIDENT: Senator Landis, you just finished the time of Senator Scofield's, now you're the next speaker if you'd like.

SENATOR LANDIS: I will waive my time.

PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, strange as it may seem a number of local small communities today do have severe financial problems. Notwithstanding those problems, they continue to be pressured by virtue of rules, regulations and statutes enacted by the state and federal government. We are going to have a massive input relative to solid waste treatment sites, I would assume, as the Natural Resources Committee travels across the State of Nebraska during this forthcoming interim period. Without exception, I expect most communities will tell us the same story that we have already heard, that they cannot, do not and do not understand where the resources will come from to meet the requirements of solid waste treatment. At the present time, we all know...and I recounted this morning just briefly a little problem at David City by virtue of a problem at the wastewater treatment plant and I have reread the documents since early this morning and what seems to be a small problem to my good friends at DEC can be a very serious problem to a community such as David City. Now let me give you another scenario. At the present time, you all know, of course, that the City of Omaha has a combined storm and sanitary sewage project that has been there I guess for maybe a 100 years and I believe from about 40th Street to the Missouri River where the storm sewer is the same as the sanitary sewer, causing overflow from time to time into the Missouri River of untreated sewage. Should, for example, the City of Omaha decide to avail themselves of this type of financing, I do not know if they can put in a new sewer system with this or not but they certainly, I believe, could make a strong case for it. I have