

SENATOR BEUTLER: They leased it without having authority to lease it, is that what you're saying?

SENATOR MOORE: That's the best...there was no specific authority to do so, Senator Beutler. I mean, I...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, does it need...

SENATOR MOORE: ..hate to say it like that, but it's probably what occurred.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I take it then, from the fact that we're seeking specific authority here, that they leased it without authority, otherwise there'd be no reason to seek authority, huh?

SENATOR MOORE: Well, there would certainly be a question whether there was authority there, yes, Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: So it's the portion that says lease as opposed to lease-back that is specifically related to this project. I guess what I'm trying to get at, Senator Moore, is that is this...in the future are we going to be able to...lease-back is a bit of a different concept than leasing originally, I guess, and I don't know if I'm for or against it. I suppose it depends on the context of the situation and whether bond authority is available on this bill and how that relates and whether we've set out criteria under this fund that would be otherwise avoided by leasing back. I just want to be sure of what we...what I'm doing here I guess.

SENATOR MOORE: Well, Senator Beutler, there will be no means to do it because there will be no dollars in the fund to do that and also, I mean, this particular, the last section of the bill, though is not particularly the new tract of land we're talking about but the existing, in the original 410, that this particular section is dealing with.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Thank you, Senator Moore.

PRESIDENT MOORE: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Does anyone else wish to speak to this amendment? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Kristensen?