

comparative valuation. I would indicate to you that one that I'm aware of that is in the process of development is one that is a co-op between the Little Blue Natural Resource District and the Lower Republican Natural Resources District, this is over in the Superior, Nebraska area, along the Kansas line. In that particular case, in that particular case the valuation in this SPA would result in the NRDs ability to generate \$9,500, \$9,500. This compares to the...their estimated beginning costs, in the first years, of 61,600, and a \$31,500 ongoing cost of monitoring the water quality in this SPA, and providing assistance to those people who farm within it, who operate businesses within it, who have sewage treatment plants, Senator Beutler, within it, and all of those things that impact, or have the potential for impacting groundwater quality. The two districts, Little Blue and the Lower Republican, under the current taxing situation have the potential of raising \$356,000 without...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...increasing the levy at all, without...without exceeding the 4.5 cent current limit on their levy. The committee amendments of one-half cent maximum would give them an additional taxing authority of \$138,600. Compare these, the available funds to address a progra...a problem, to the \$9,500 that current law would provide them to have in this case, if, in fact, that was all. So in real life, in real life the people who reside in any NRD that has an SPA contained within its boundaries are going to pay a portion of that cost, they are going to pay because the levy has not.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Now the...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Would certainly like to give other people an opportunity to speak first. I didn't know my light would come on again so soon. If there are other people, I would put my name at the end.

PRESIDENT MOUL: There are further people wishing to speak. Senator Nelson, do you wish to speak to the Beutler amendment?

SENATOR NELSON: Yes, Madam Speaker. I'm sorry, I'm just trying