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could, the bill, obviously, deals with certain situations where the federal government is requiring the replacement of wetlands. What about situations where the federal government is not...well, maybe I should back up a little bit more, I am trying to cover my ignorance, I guess. Are there situations where the state may take land for highway purposes that is unrelated to any federal requirement, and if so, would this bill authorize them to replace wetlands in those instances, too, as well as in instances where the federal government would come into play, or does the federal government come into play in everything?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Well, the federal government is going to come into play in the wetlands issue, otherwise you don't need to mitigate it. You just...the majority of these cases are where you already have right-of-way land that the state already owns because we really don't construct that many brand new roads. Most of them are the widening of the roads, and those...that is where the federal government requires the permit to come into effect, and you may have to get...you may have to take the land to put that fill in again, or find some land to create a new wetlands for it. It may be just like a tenth of an acre that you have to replace, and so you go and the state creates a wetland, but always would it be due to the federal requirement to replace or mitigate the wetland.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Oh, I see, so it comes from the definition, from the federal definition of wetlands?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Not from the highway condemnation (interruption)...

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Exactly, and the bill referenced the federal definition of wetlands.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you.

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

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Senator Kristensen, this is one of those bills which I think probably should not be on the consent calendar but I have, basically, one question to ask you, and that is, will it be less expensive and a saving of time for the