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water policy in the State of Nebraska is rightly or wrongly, and many will argue wrongly, it has been historical in the State of Nebraska, we've had a high degree of local control on water policy. We've created the NRDs, which once again rightly or wrongly, and that can be open to criticism, has served truly as a model in many ways, a way to affect water policy as it affects all Nebraskans by trying to buy the affected people into the process, sitting on their local boards. We've always tried to use the bottom up approach as opposed to a top down approach. Now Senator Beutler's amendment, it's not...it's not as if you're changing entity policy as a whole, but it is a marked change where you're allowing the department to mandate upon an adjoining district, a control area, and Senator Beutler, if you'd yield to a question, also when it does that would it also make those subject to an additional tax? Am I correct there, too? If you would respond to that.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Beutler, would you respond, please.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Moore, to the extent that they had a portion of a control area, and to the extent that they were required to support that new control area that is in their district, to that extent, there may be a new tax, depending on what's decided for all...

SENATOR MOORE: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...the districts involved in the area.

SENATOR MOORE: But that possibility does exist.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Um-huh.

SENATOR MOORE: So those are the two issues of concern. One is that you're changing, though ever so slightly, and I'll admit it was a Select File amendment with little discussion, that's not Senator Beutler's fault, that is my fault and others for not looking at that closely enough. And, like I said, Senator Beutler explained it very fairly on the floor, and people like myself didn't catch it. So, one is you're making a marked change in water policy, and you're allowing the department, from the top down, to implement some things on water policy. And, secondly, it's the issue that we often hear, we've heard for over 200 years in this country, of someone could certainly make the argument of taxation without representation, because those