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is if we've had a problem...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ...they should know what the cost is because they evidently had to go out and acquire other land and get rid of...and do something so we could build the highway. So the department should have some kind of a handle on what it costs an acre or whatever.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Well, the cost though, Senator, depends on how much property you are taking.

SENATOR HABERMAN: All right, I'm taking 150 times the 15 acres. Surely they've done that, haven't they?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: They have, but it...the reason I can't give you a cost is you don't...I don't know what all those different lands are because they have a fair market value of the taking. Each project is going to be different. I don't have the numbers for all the total projects. The increase...

SENATOR HABERMAN: You don't have the numbers for any project, do you, Senator Kristensen? The department hasn't come to you and said, Senator Kristensen, here is an example, we had to replace this wetland on a local road...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ..and it cost us so much money, 'cause it says here...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I thank you, ma'am. It's just as well.

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

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Kristensen, I'd also like to ask you a couple of questions. Please don't interpret them as hostile because they're not. I think it's a good bill and I'm just a little curious about the amendment and how it would work, and I'm sorry things are happening so quickly or I would simply go to some other people and try to get some information and perhaps have precluded this exchange, and my questions may not be