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PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator McKenzie.

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Senator Wehrbein, I believe we specifically addressed golf courses a commercial use in legislation last year.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Previously? So this doesn't change that?

SENATOR MCKENZIE: No.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And how far can you transport? Is there any restrictions? This says across roads as an example, but it could go miles?

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Senator...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I mean if it was economically feasible, which I admit it may not normally be.

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Right. We allowed that some of those rules and regulations would be promulgated by the Natural Resources District and because there would be different conditions in different parts of the state in terms of the transfer within their own geographic and hydrogeologic concerns, that the NRDs would use their rules and regulations to identify transferred distance if it was necessary.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Can you give me just a minute, or, like I say, I don't want to hold up, but what is the basic purpose of this to allow water from one side of the road to go to the other side to do some irrigating and, is that the essential...?

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Senator, yes, and actually it's to make legal what in many cases has been an application of water across a road, under the road, through the culvert to another field.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay.

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Owned by the same farmer, primarily.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And all cases it's agriculture use and this does bring in domestic use.