

SENATOR BEUTLER: Absolutely, it does not relieve the developer of anything, Senator, and that was one of the major sticking points that the Governor was very tough on. He wanted to be absolutely clear that all of the priorities with respect to liabilities that are set out in the statutes and in the compact are adhered to and that nothing that we put in here would in any way...could in any way be interpreted to change that liability. Developer has first liability, utilities after that, the state is way down at the end, as a matter of fact, but...but on the other side they wanted to be sure that the utilities or that the...that the facility was, in fact, maintained for that long, long period of time by somebody responsible.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, that's true on...on a lot of other clean-up operations, I mean on such as storage tanks and so on. You can...you never lose the ownership of this or the liability to clean up like on a fuel tank. You, until that's cleaned up, you can never get a clear title on that. Is that...?

SENATOR BEUTLER: The rules are very similar. It's a different...I mean we set up completely different rules for the low-level...

SENATOR JANSSEN: Um-hum.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...waste facility, but essentially you're right.

SENATOR JANSSEN: But it basically means it's the same thing.

SENATOR BEUTLER: It's the same sort of...of liability beginning with the one who creates the problem.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Right. Okay. Thank you. That's all the questions I have.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Is there any further discussion on the motion to return to Select File? Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Beutler, if you'd yield just to a couple questions. On coming in from the western part of the state at 8:30 on Monday, I'm not quite cognizant of all the things in reading through the amendment, so you'll have to bear with me. Would...would you take a minute and explain what the