

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, Senator, they are obliged to contribute or would be obliged to contribute through their agreements, vis-a-vis the compact, itself. Is that what you are asking?

SENATOR PREISTER: They member (interruption)...

SENATOR BEUTLER: All states are obliged to contribute equally in the event that it ever reaches the stage where states are obliged to contribute. However, as you know, it is never anticipated that the states would ever be involved in contributing since it is envisioned that it would be taken care of, in the first instance, by the developer, or if that doesn't work out, in the second instance, by those who are putting the waste in the dump, either through a fund which is, hopefully, to be clarified and in place, and if that fund is not adequate, then through direct assessment of the utilities.

SENATOR PREISTER: Okay, I think at this point, Senator Beutler, I will just make sure that in the record there still are questions,...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR PREISTER: ...there is some concern, and that the whole issue does need more time and need to be looked at more and, with that, I will conclude.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Fine. Okay.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Thank you

SENATOR CROSBY: Any further discussion on LB 552? Seeing none, the question is the advancement of LB 552 to E & R Engrossing. Okay, I am sorry, we are advancing LB 552 to Final Reading. All in favor...all in favor say aye. Opposed no. It is advanced. LB 265.

CLERK: Madam President, 265, likewise, was returned for a specific amendment. Senator Withem had moved to return it. The motion prevailed. The amendment is pending. Senator Withem, I have a priority motion from you, Senator, to bracket.

SPEAKER WITHEM: (Mike off) Yes.