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River part of this thing, as far as 108's concerned, is unnecessary. And we've already indicated that it's self-regulating, ground water irrigating, it's self-regulating. You have less than a half percent in the last five years.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: One minute.

SENATOR DIERKS: I'd like to ask Senator Wehrbein a question.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR DIERKS: Roger, you know what this bill does. You understand, I think,...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR DIERKS: ...that it calls for a study on the basis of the ability to have studies done.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR DIERKS: You know what one of those studies is going to cost?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: No, I don't. I don't know that the A bill's been drawn yet. I inquired yesterday, I have not seen it yet today.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, my information is that one of these studies goes on for years could cost over \$10 million. If we have an A bill for \$10 million on this bill how does that affect your feeling about it?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, I would certainly have some reluctance to support that if it was that kind of cost, obviously.

SENATOR DIERKS: How much time do I have, Senator Bernard-Stevens?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: You have about fifteen seconds, sir.

SENATOR DIERKS: I'll punch my button.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator