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LB 1085, 1384

SENATOR WARNER: It was part of LB 1384 as I read the limitations on NRDs, so reported to General File, right?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR WARNER: That's what our record shows. Okay, and this would abolish the ad valorem tax, property tax authority after the year 2000 for drainage districts.

SENATOR BEUTLER: That's right.

SENATOR WARNER: And they would retain, I believe they have the assessment authority now.

SENATOR BEUTLER: They do, both...

SENATOR WARNER: Right.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...types do.

SENATOR WARNER: Right, and so that portion is retained I take or becomes a part of the MRD's assessment authority for their area affected.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, you will have to tell me, Senator, a little later how this relates to your other bills. I take it that...

SENATOR WARNER: Excuse me.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...the...that if you get rid of the ad valorem tax and you have only this special assessment, that that would not be affected by any of the other bills and they could just continue to levy special assessments.

SENATOR WARNER: That would be correct, and otherwise they'd come within this 15 cents that the counties have for a variety of special districts for...and a drainage district would have been within that 15 cents and would have had to apply to the county for approval of budget as some of the other entities would also.

SENATOR BEUTLER: So it would be a choice between whether you