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SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: One minute.

SENATOR HILLMAN: ...and our answer was...is that, I don't know if it will help you, but it certainly is a tool, an avenue for you to be heard and to find out what has happened. I guess my point is if you look at the diversity across this state, be it water and a lot of other things, we are a very diverse state. And the system that 108 sets up whereby NRDs, local people who know the system, in our case it's the North Platte Valley NRD, that know our system, that can make some determinations, much more so perhaps than somebody across the state because we do recognize the interrelationship, we do recognize how surface water irrigation enhances the environment that's out there, but how it can be detrimentally impacted. We need this type of a tool, this type of a vehicle whereby we can resolve some issues when we need to. And would ask the body to please remember, there is a very diversified...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Time.

SENATOR HILLMAN: ...system. Thank you.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Hillman. Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, David, appreciate the time. Members, I would like to continue a brief conversation with Senator Dierks, if he's willing.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Dierks, would you yield?

SENATOR DIERKS: You bet.

SENATOR ELMER: Senator Dierks, would you agree that the aquifers that our ground water use are shared among them, and the resource within them is shared among them?

SENATOR DIERKS: Run that by me again?

SENATOR ELMER: Would you agree that the aquifers that we use for our ground water irrigation are shared between the ground water irrigators in that area?