

remains. And I hope that that would answer those particular questions. If you would like some of my time for any further comment, I would yield that to Senator Hudkins.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Hudkins, there's about one minute left.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Senator Elmer. I appreciate the time and I have my light on because I'm not going to get finished. But you said that 50 percent of the water that comes into the Republican comes from other states.

SENATOR ELMER: No, yeah, yeah, 50 percent of the basin lies in other states.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Oh, okay, thank you. And so, therefore, if those states are also using proper management practices, they're building the dams, they're doing whatever, then they are also preventing some of that water from getting into the Republican River. And Senator Hillman commented on it that in some places immediately downstream the water level will be much less, after that it's going to pick back up again because of the ground charge, whatever the word was. I have...I'm out of time, I'll punch my light on and talk later. Thank you.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Hudkins. Senator Jones.

SENATOR JONES: Mr. President and members of the body, I just want to stand up and tell you my concerns with the bill. A lot of you probably know that I voted against it out of the committee. But there's been a lot of work done on amendments and there's a lot of good things in them, but some of the reasons that I did vote against the bill was like on page 73, Section 72, where it talks about the funds and the purpose in conducting the studies to determine the cause of the current or potential conflicts. There's no A bill to it, and we don't know how much these studies will cost, so it's going to be something to figure out that because I'll bet they'll be up in the million dollars, especially if there's a...they need a study in one part of the state on a conflict, and they spend the money to do that, then if there's a conflict in another part of the state they'd have to set the study all up again because every part of our