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LB 78

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Would that be accurate?

SENATOR BRUNING: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. And right now, regardless of where they are in Douglas or Sarpy County, I assume they have basically two choices. They have MUD or they have UtiliCorp. Would that be accurate?

SENATOR BRUNING: Yes, that's accurate.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. And...and their incentive is to create a long-term relationship, I assume. That is, they would like to have...they would like to have all of the homeowners and the potential homeowners in an SID signed up on their company as opposed to simply...simply building the lines. I mean, the profit is in the long-term relationship with the customer. Would that be accurate?

SENATOR BRUNING: Yes, Senator.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Preister, on the Bruning amendment to the committee amendments of LB 78. Senator Preister.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Honorable President, friends all. I rise to ask a couple of questions of Senator Hartnett, and then perhaps a couple of Senator Bruning as well.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Yield, Senator Hartnett?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yes.

SENATOR PREISTER: Senator Hartnett, as I'm looking at the amendment to the committee amendments, which would become the bill, I'm just...as I read it, LB 78 does not apply in any way to the Municipal Natural Gas Act. Is that also your understanding?