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adequately, and certainly if they don't have the resources to inspect our streams adequately, we won't know what condition our streams are in, and I think this amendment would certainly allow them to focus especially on our cold water streams. I'm still somewhat uncomfortable with Section 5, but I will be willing to go along with you if you will agree to some things verbally on the floor, so if you'll respond. Currently, the Department of Environmental Quality is inspecting our streams for herbicides, and they are inspecting our...they're inspecting our lakes for nitrogen and phosphates, and you want to expand this. I would...I would tell you that I think that if this is considered a mandate that they check all streams for this, there's probably not enough money in Nebraska to cover every section of our streams here. So I would hope that you would say that the intention of this is they shall check where they think it is appropriate and important. And there are probably streams in this state where these types of checks don't need to take place because they determine it is not a problem. What I'm saying here is I would like to read into the record that only when they suspect there is a problem shall they check for these type of pollutants, and if we can read that into the record, I think it will give DEQ some direction, because they probably don't need to be outside of my house in the stream that goes through my place checking for all of these...checking for all of these contaminants. And if you would like to respond to those comments, I think it might be helpful in giving DEQ directions should the members of this committee agree to the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you respond, Senator Beutler?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Certainly. Senator, as I understand their program, there are 23 basins, surface water basins in the state of Nebraska, and every year two or sometimes three, if they can, basins are monitored that particular year, so that it takes a while, obviously, for them to do all of the basins. So once every five years a particular basin might be monitored, and this amendment is not going to supply money to make any substantial change in that...in that cycle of inspections. Also, they monitor 20 to 30 points once a week when they are in that basin monitoring, and this...and that monitoring is done on the basis of where they had prior problems or sometimes on a rotating basis to check out new streams, and that is a...it's a process