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now, to ensure that specific ratepayers are protected as well. The language "any aggrieved ratepayer" was taken out, but language from other sections of Nebraska law have...has been included so that any aggrieved ratepayer can...can have their concerns heard by the Public Service Commission as well. With that, Mr. President, I'd yield the remainder of my time to Senator Hartnett. We have some dialogue for the record.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Hartnett, you're recognized for the balance of Senator Bruning's time.

SENATOR HARTNETT: I've got some questions for Senator Bruning, Mr. President, members of the body.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Bruning.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Senator Bruning, Section 1 of the bill authorizes State Auditor to enforce the provisions requiring proper allocation between gas and water is proper with MUD. Section 7 of the bill requires certain records to be made available to the Public Service Commission to determine disputes under the bill. Could you clarify whether it is the intent to give the Public Service Commission authority over the allocation between gas and water.

SENATOR BRUNING: Yes, Senator, for the record, no, that's not the case. The PSC would be interested in Section 1 only. To the extent that it impacted disputes arising under the other portions of the bill, the legal axiom that the specific takes precedence over the general is applicable here.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Is there overlapping authority between the Auditor's authority under Section 7 and that of the Public Service Commission?

SENATOR BRUNING: No, Senator, actually there's not. The PSC only deals with what is brought in front of it, does not audit books or records. In fact, the PSC, under the terms of LB 78, may only consider books, records, contracts or data specifically made available to it.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Thank you.