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way to integrate it has taken the committee three years to accomplish.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Thank you, Senator Brown. I don't know, I suppose if one starts from the perspective philosophically that you believe anything and everything this kind of agency could do it should do, then I suppose one wouldn't have any problems with this bill. If, on the other hand, you're starting with a philosophy...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...that the operations of this kind of a subsidization program are probably somewhat suspect to begin with, then a response to a question that indicates to you that five very important financing mechanisms are either new or changed in some manner or another and generally expanded in this bill and an inability to identify exactly how they are expanded leaves one in a position that it's very hard to, I think, support a bill like this. But I am torn in the sense that, in two senses, first of all, I know a lot of work has been done on this and I don't want to degrade in any way the work that's been done, it's just that the problem appears to be so massive in terms of dealing with the model legislation. And, secondly, I know that absent a reform on the scale of the welfare...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...reform...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I am going to speak to this section of the divided amendment and to tell you that...to give you some examples of things that currently might...where a public housing authority might be involved in a loan. A situation where an individual, who has lived in the housing authority for awhile and has a fairly good record of making their rent payments and things, has a crisis. Their car breaks down, and in order for them to continue in their job to be able to make the 30 percent of their income payment that they make towards their rent, they need a little