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SENATOR VRTISKA: ...I guess I'm just curious about how much there might be in savings, in fact. And I've never supported selling this land, but I keep pretty quiet because most of our land was sold. And I know...I understand other...other counties have a different situation than I do. But can you address that at all? Would there be a reduction?

SENATOR BAKER: I would think, having read some of their material that they presented to us, they would anticipate as the land is sold, yes, they would decrease their salaries. I need to mention here though, and I just...you just have a few seconds, they don't have an executive director right now, who was also making a base salary, \$83,604 base salary. So I don't know whether they're going to hire another person to replace Mr. LeBlanc or not. So this may be conservative here.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Okay. Well, I have a concern about the cost of administration of this program and I'm trying to get a fix on why...why it's costing that much and, again, if we can actually be saving money and how much we'll be saving in fact if we do...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...dispose of some of this land. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Chambers, on the Chambers amendment to the committee amendments to LB 1010.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm going to quote Senator...I think it was Kristensen who said, Senator Chambers, I'm not going to speak to your amendment. That's quite all right. I'm going to talk about the bill and what we're dealing with here. I don't know why in the world the committee advanced this bill in the first place. A bill like this wouldn't have gotten out of the Judiciary Committee, since we have become more...more attentive to our duty as a committee. But since it's out here it must be dealt with. They have seven years to complete their work, but let me ask Senator Baker a question or two to get clarification on something he said earlier.