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SENATOR BEUTLER: ...that I mentioned to you earlier of manipulation of numbers for purposes of obtaining a certain philosophic majority. You also have the problem that many NRD boards had when we allowed a great deal of flexibility there, and that was boards so large that they became cumbersome and inefficient and stymied in terms of reaching consensus on almost anything. So I don't know what the balance is. I don't pretend to know what the right balance is in every situation. And I would listen to the municipalities and to the political subdivisions when they, as a group, say it should be this number or that number. But I don't think it makes sense to simply ignore the past and throw out to them once again in any particular area the unlimited flexibility to manipulate that particular kind of situation. Thank you.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Beutler. The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I now am going to call on Senator Mines for his expertise on this issue, if he will share it with me.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Senator Mines.

SENATOR MINES: I'd be happy to, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Mines, you have that big red book on your desk. And if you want to turn to LB 76, you can. And as you turn to that, I will make it clear what it is I'm going to pursue. There are some requirements laid down in the statute that mandate certain activities by this board, and I want to see what Senator Mines' opinion is about the Legislature making such mandates. Senator Mines, if you will turn to page 2 of that bill, which would be the back side, since there's only one sheet, beginning in line 15, it says, "When a facility board has been appointed and qualified, all accounts against the facility fund shall be audited by the facility board." Why should the Legislature not let that local board determine who shall audit that fund?