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PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Landis. Before proceeding to the next speaker, the Clerk has an announcement. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the Agriculture Committee will meet in Executive Session in Room 2022 at 9:45; Agriculture Committee, 9:45, Room 2022.

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

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, I couldn't disagree with Senator Landis more. When I say that you will not have an effective choice, I am not talking in the theory of law. I'm talking real law, real politics, what will happen ultimately. Let's talk about the situation that can and may very well exist under this agreement. This agreement that we're handing over control to can be amended. It can be amended by the governing board of this organization. When they amend it, if you don't like the amendment, it's too bad because you're going to have to comply. So, if we do nothing, they will find us out of compliance. They will say you comply by such and such a time or we'll penalize you or we'll kick you out. So, at that point in time, does the Nebraska Legislature have a choice? In Senator Landis' theoretical sense, he's right, we have a choice. We can have a choice to either comply with what they say and lose 50, 100, 150 million, whatever we're up by the time that point comes, or the practical answer to it is we will comply. We will comply. And so it is important before you get to the situation where some policy has been made by changing this document that you don't like, before you get to that situation, at a minimum being able to instruct your representatives as to whether you want them to put that piece in place. Why would you not want ultimate say, as much as you can get, as to whether that piece should be put in place in this agreement so that you're not forced or faced with the alternative of fines and penalties and being kicked out of the organization in order to exercise the policy that you might, given free will, that you might have chosen otherwise? That's the whole point, and maybe Senator Landis' speech serves the purpose. Theory goes out the window here. When there's so