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your intention to allow money to be given to private landowners absent some kind of cost share?

SENATOR SCHROCK: That's probably best left up to the Natural Resources Commission to determine that with their rules and regulations.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Even though they...assuming we have the facts correct here for the moment, even though they have no programs that don't require some kind of cost share, you would want this to authorize...well, let me back up one more item. Do they currently have authority...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...to recommend payments to landowners out of this fund without any cost share on the part of the landowner?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator Beutler, I'm not sure of that. I'm not sure of that.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. If it turned out that all of the programs had some sort of cost share, and I think they always require at least 25 percent, would you be amenable to limiting this program to cost-share kinds of programs?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Certainly take a look at it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Could this program be used for paying for water meters, for example, if it were pursuant to a...

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...interstate agreement?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, it could.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Pardon me?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, it could.