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and yet is given no credit on the back end, when there might be an older development a long time ago that was done haphazardly and really kind of gets off a lot less. And so I struggle with the application of the entire thing. But I especially struggle with my own observation of seeing a ton of development in some of the larger communities in the state, and there are more and more property taxpayers paying more and more property tax, and there's never enough. And I just struggle immensely with that. And I...I mean, and I'm not here just to tout my own constituents, but there doesn't seem to be the need...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR SMITH: ...at that level like there is in the larger cities. And so for that reason, I just struggle, and I look forward to further debate. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith. Senator Mines.

SENATOR MINES: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I'm sure glad I'm not on that Natural Resources Committee. This is a difficult task and, Senator Schrock, I applaud you for what you're doing. I also have to applaud you for this amendment. It's more palatable than the original bill. But I...in deference to that and with all due respect, this...it's still not in a form that I'm comfortable with. But I do have a couple of just elementary questions, if Senator Schrock would yield, please.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock, would you respond?

SENATOR SCHROCK: I will.

SENATOR MINES: Thank you, Senator. I know this is a federal mandate of sorts, and I know that there's a time frame that Nebraska must respond. But I'm unclear as to, you know, when must we respond to the directive that our...that we have to have something in place? Is it this year?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator Mines, that's the unknown. All it takes is for one disgruntled citizen to file a suit, and we