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SENATOR CUDABACK: No problem.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So there might be a little silence here.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator Chambers, it's possible that could be used to retire acres that are currently irrigated,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and so they will become dryland acres; that's possible that money could be used for that. Keep in mind...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Does that...

SENATOR SCHROCK: ...keep in mind, Senator Chambers, the state of Nebraska owns the water.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Not the landowner. And farmers have trouble with that concept.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So this means that an individual would be acquiring from the state certain interests. Is that what this language means?

SENATOR SCHROCK: I think it's...well, in this particular line, as I understand on page 2, that's currently existing language, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, and it makes no sense to me. That's why sometimes I look at existing language, and even though it is there, it doesn't necessarily mean that it should be or that it's clear. And you don't have to give me an answer right this minute, but if you can...

SENATOR SCHROCK: All right, let me give that a little more thought.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, thank you.