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water, and especially back in the eighties when things was really tough. But I'm not ready to tell us that we should let the state go in debt because if we do that, then that puts a debt on every citizen in the state of Nebraska then, because we're going to have to pay them off. The roads out in my district are the lifeblood of that area. And Senator Chambers was talking about some roads, well, I can take you on some roads that's just two trails just for the two tracks, and it's a county road. And people don't understand that but that's...they just cannot maintain them and make them a graded road in some of the areas in my district. So it is the lifeblood out there, and the better roads we can get and get the commodities to market is better. But I'm really concerned, too, as can we sell these bonds as fast as the contracts on roads come up, and be able to get the money there so that they can do the next project, or are we going to be short? Is the timing going to be right? Are you going to be able to sell the bonds? I think we can look across the state in Kansas, and their roads are not good anymore because they went down this road. So I think that this is something we should really think about. Do we want to put this debt on our children? I know that this is what is going to happen because a lot of us are leaving here and we don't want to put this debt on the children. And I'm not sure this is...I think...still think this is a bad policy to do something like this. We've got three plans before us here and I commend each one of the senators for bringing them, and I think it's something we needed to do to decide what we're going to do. But it's been mentioned several times that, is this debt really due now? And we don't know whether we're going to have to pay it all in one check or whether it's going to be spread over two or three years, how we going to have to handle the debt. And the three plans that we've heard here, I couldn't support the first one on the surcharge on electric units, and the more I think about that, a lot of people in my district has got stock wells scattered all over their pastures, and them are due once a year, not once a month. And then the irrigation wells are due twice a year, not once a month. So I think it will be a big, big job for the Power Review Board to figure this all out and figure out something. So we still got one plan to hear here yet this afternoon, and I think the way it's coming up, we'll...it won't solve the complete problem on the judgment but it will go a long