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would be given to the city council to go on their agenda. And then the process begins in the hands of the city council.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Okay. And then on the next page, the fourth page of the amendment, it says, "If an assessment district is proposed without a prior authorizing petition." Well, you just said that the city council is going to start this, and now we're talking about a prior authorizing petition? I don't understand this at all. And then further down, it said, if more than 50 percent of the front footage...the parties may, by petition, stop formation. Are we going to have a petition to...?

SENATOR PRICE: I have the answer, Senator Hudkins.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Okay. Thank you.

SENATOR PRICE: At least something for you to respond to. There are two ways, when we talk about petition. A neighborhood or a group of people could petition for, and then it's turned over to the city council. And then, two, the city then could define the district, and then there would be a petition process for those in opposition. There could be a petition in support of, which would try to bring them up in priority order, and is turned over to the city council for them to act on. Number two, the city could designate an area, and then, if people are opposed, they could petition in opposition.

SENATOR HUDKINS: And before, someone asked you if Lincoln was up against its levy lid, and you said no.

SENATOR PRICE: Excuse me, I didn't hear you.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Before, you had said that the city of Lincoln was not up against its levy lid. And so this particular assessment would be outside the levy limits. Is that right?

SENATOR PRICE: This is what Urban Affairs legal counsel said, it is above the lid, yes.

SENATOR HUDKINS: And the new parts of town, the new additions, is it true that the developers, whoever that might be, provides