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questions about the double piping, because I think Senator Landis is...is...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, let's go to the annexation...

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...part of it then. There are two parts to this, as I see it always. There's the takeover thing and then there's the annexation thing. Now, if you're in the annexation portion of your bill, and let's talk about all those cities except the metropolitan area. If you go in and annex a subdivision that's currently served by a private entity, am I understanding the bill right that you again buy them out? Is that right?

SENATOR BOURNE: That's correct.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Is there any duplication of services in that process?

SENATOR BOURNE: No.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Well, then, in fairness, Senator Landis, let me ask...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...you, wherein, in Senator Bourne's bill, do you see the duplication of services?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. Senator Beutler, there is no area that the public entity cannot go and there is no area to which the private sector is entitled to exclusive provision of services, which means that rather than annexing a provision, what there isn't in LB 748, you can't find it, is that you could...the public entity could extend its borders out and beyond those borders and parallel, but not annex, somebody else's pipes. What you're talking about is where you go out and