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legally to make them uphold the law. I mean, county officials have to uphold the law, and that's what they swear to do when they...on January, whenever they take office.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Are these county officials aware of the fact that they can be sued under this bill, if there are more complaints than they have money to carry out their duties for? For example, ten people had filed complaints against individuals who won't control their prairie dogs, and the county says, well, we can't go on that land and make them...and do any management because we don't have the money. Under this bill, the county could then be sued by all ten of these people with a complaint, couldn't they, couldn't the county?

SENATOR LOUDEN: I don't know, Senator. You'd have to ask somebody into law what...I don't know whether...

SENATOR BAKER: Time.

SENATOR LOUDEN: ...they sue the county or they just...or they sue them for malfeasance of office. I don't know how that would work, but it is the duty of the county to do it if...

SENATOR BAKER: Time. Thank...

SENATOR LOUDEN: ...they've adopted the plan.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Chambers. That was your opening, and your light is next. You're recognized to speak.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I see Senator Don Pederson sitting over there, keeping a low profile, but I want to ask him a question or two.

SENATOR BAKER: Senator Don Pederson, would you respond, please.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes, I will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, Senator Don Pederson, I did not write this bill, but under the language of this bill, if a county board passes a resolution to participate in this prairie dog