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SENATOR BEUTLER: Yeah. The distance of a ground water well from the river, if you're talking about situations where water is interrelated, will make a difference. Those that are a great distance, and in certain types of soils, it will take a considerable period of time for the water to migrate into the river. Others are closer. But the way I feel it should be viewed is simply...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...this. We have the rules. If you believe that the rules aren't working as efficiently as you would like them to work, then it's incumbent upon you as a group of people in the system to provide a mechanism for trading land or trading water rights or trading your inches of water. We need a little more free enterprise system here, frankly,...

SENATOR BROWN: Absolutely.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...in all of this.

SENATOR BROWN: That I agree with.

SENATOR BEUTLER: And we ought to be able to buy and sell water rights. We ought not to be simply throwing up our arms and saying, this is such a confused mess, we'll just let the general taxpayer pay Kansas. And these things can be done. We can be sure that water rights can be traded and sold. And if the local people want to work out some kind of system...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Brown.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...with their money for adjusting the system,...

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...that makes sense to me.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, you may continue, followed by Senator Langemeier.