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Management Act, is that a federal or a state enactment that is being referred to?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Both of those are state, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. So we're all right there. But on the federal, if you can find out between now and when the bill comes up on Select File why there is not that saving language, which we do find on page 15, in lines 5 and 6, "as such regulations existed on January 1, 2004."

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Chambers. This is your third time on AM2002.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. And, Senator Schrock, so I don't leave this hanging, on page 15 there is a reference in lines 5 and 6 to federal regulations with the language attached, "as such regulations existed on January 1, 2004." Now, if someplace in connection with this legislation which LB 975 is amending there is a statement that any reference to this Clean Water Act means the Clean Water Act as it existed on a certain date, then I don't have the problem, because it was taken care of elsewhere. But if there is no language of that kind, I'm not aware that the federal Clean Water Act can simply be incorporated by reference without saying, as it existed on a certain specific date. But I will not offer anything at this point because I don't want to hold up the bill. And you mentioned all the cooperation there had been, and I don't want to give the impression that I'm opposed to the bill or trying to derail it. So you may have something you will offer to me, and since this is my third time, I'll just wait until you consult with counsel, if there's information that is available.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Schrock, would you...

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, Senator Chambers, we will take a look at it between now and Select, and if there's...