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LB 1249

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis?

SENATOR LANDIS: Their rights will be exactly the rights they have today. Now, there is a place where there's a kind of choice program...

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Right.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...allowed by the investor-owns--Kinder Morgan allows these--and there are people who essentially buy gas wholesale from Kinder Morgan and then retail it. Those people are cut in the marketplace now. By the way, you know who will not permit them in their jurisdiction? MUD. But they can go in Kinder Morgan. That kind of opportunity will continue to exist, because there will be no change in the authorities of the cities. The problem with Arlington and Fremont doesn't lie in LB 1249. It exists in existing law. What happens when Arlington and Fremont bump jurisdictions? And the answer is, somebody is going to give way, and in fact, the larger community is going to be able to condemn the smaller community, and that's natural law. That's existing organic law, and that's the answer to that question. It's not resolved in LB 1249. Everything they've got now they continue to have. It doesn't change.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Okay, thank you, Senator.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. Thank you, Senator Cunningham. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. You know, I usually don't get involved in these kind of situations, but I do have something that happened about 26 years ago, that whenever gas lines and who has them, and where they're put, and how they're traded, it kind of upsets me. I think it was about 26 years ago this last winter, when we had a situation in Fremont that it was investor-owned--they had an investor-owned gas company. And that gas company was bought and sold and traded back and forth. They were having some quite