

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. President and colleagues, in response to Senator Haberman's concern, the way I read the bill you've got to be a tenant or an occupant at the premises where the bypassing exists so it has got to be in a building you occupy as I read the bill. That is Section 1 or Section 2 you've got to have. . . .it's got to be in a control access situation and you have to be the person that has access to it, right? In other words a situation where a meter is locked up in a shed if it is going to be out in a field and you are the only person that has access to it for this bill to apply. Now that is the way I read the bill. What I suggest we do is advance it over to Select File, talk to the authors of the bill about it and if it needs any further refining why go ahead and do that. But, Senator Haberman, I think in response to your speech that the bill does not apply to that kind of situation.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Members and Senator Hoagland, everybody has access to my land. You can drive down in the tules or by my farm or wherever you want to and there goes the road and the road goes into the cornfield directly to the well and I may be twenty-five or thirty miles away so everybody has access. Now, the building on my farm, I'll concede that to you. I maybe should possibly be that responsible but everybody out in western Nebraska where I come from, to get on anybody's farm all they have to do is drive down the country road, turn down the irrigation road, tamper with the meter. It is just that simple. I think it is bad. I don't like it.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Excuse me. Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Senator Haberman, I don't think you understood my argument. The way I read the bill you have got to be a tenant or an occupant at the premises in the building for this to apply. It won't apply to an unenclosed meter out in the field. Now I suggest that we advance the bill and that if I am incorrect about that reading we can have an amendment on Select File to be sure that that is the case.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers, did you wish to close?