

again this year they are thinking about, you know, having the bill introduced again that would license all well drillers. However, he felt that it should be delayed now until next year. It is late in the season and they need to get their forces together and determine among themselves, at least, if they do or not need a bill that would license all well drillers. It would give these well drillers also some guidelines and some instructions as to how a well should be installed. Now I have taken a long time to answer your question but at the present moment I know of no bill that will be introduced this session.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, thank you, Senator Kremer. My thinking on this was that if we were thinking of introducing a bill to license well drillers, well then we could specify and demand the well drillers to drill to the bottom of the aquifer when they were drilling a domestic well and I think this would help us, but before we get that done, I think this bill would be a good bill and it would do the things that we want it to do.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, a question of Senator Kremer.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer, will you respond?

SENATOR MARESH: Senator Kremer, as you well know, many times these wells give trouble and a new well has to be drilled. Say if a well was drilled right close to the old well, would that still be prior use to the other well? Say if a well has been in for twenty years and then they have to drill a new one, how would this affect the...changing the location of the well, either domestic or...?

SENATOR KREMER: Are you talking about the drilling of a new domestic well?

SENATOR MARESH: Either one. What I am talking about, how would this affect by moving the well over a few feet to drill a new well when the old well gives trouble?

SENATOR KREMER: Of course this thing varies depending on what kind of an aquifer that they operate under. Under an artesian aquifer, you have an entirely different situation. However, in an area in which you and I live when we pump out of a confined aquifer, moving away does not help a great deal because the recharge over a wide area is generally about the same. So to move away doesn't help a