

the responsibility to those people at the local level. I am willing to trust them until they prove that they cannot be trusted. I would assume that the members of the boards in these areas that are under control are just as conscious of a tax levy that I am. I don't necessarily like to call this increased tax levy a cost. To me it is an investment. Last year on our farm operation we had to buy a new combine and the cost is about \$25,000 more than the one we bought the time before. I did not like that but we did it because it was an investment. We are doing practically the same thing here only it is more important. I have tried and tried to the best of my ability to show the members of this Legislature the last number of years what our committee has done in the way of trying to analyze the problem of how we are going to deal with it. Now we are told today by the districts that are trying to deal with this problem and I admire the Upper Republican for standing out in front and taking this thing by the horns and saying we are going to resolve it. They are headed for some real trouble, I know it. There are going to be those that oppose it and there will be those that support it. I would hope, Senator Schmit, that other NRD's would join them if a lawsuit comes up and I am sure that it will and it should come up. The courts will have to resolve this. Do we have a right to put a measuring device on? If that happens, I think it would cheapen the cost, I mean the cost would not be related entirely to one but I doubt it if any other NRD's are going to join them.

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Talk to Senator George and ask him to see the letter that came to him about what is happening in his country because more and more wells are being drilled and they have no control on them and as a result, some of the domestic wells are going dry and we are trying to resolve that in LB 27 and it will be coming up quite soon too. We put the NRD's up in front out where the war really has been carried on. Are we going to trust them or are we not? I think it resolves to this. I am willing to trust it with this extra half mill. Maybe you are not. I am glad the vote was called for and I think we ought to take the vote. If I am unsuccessful in the three quarters, then we will abide by Senator DeCamp's amendment to go back to a half. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The motion before the house is the adoption of the Kremer amendment to the DeCamp amendment. All those in