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SENATOR MERZ: They are going to put them on everybody.

SPEAKER MARVEL: One minute.

SENATOR MERZ: I thought you said only in a part of the controlled area where the water is in trouble.

SENATOR KREMER: No, I said in the area that is a part of the entire district that is under control.

SENATOR MERZ: Would you like to be a member of that board and tell your neighbors you got to put meters on now?

SENATOR KREMER: Well I wouldn't mind if I wasn't in the Legislature. I have got too much to do now.

SENATOR MERZ: Okay. I hope we understand that some of these problems are not going to be solved over night but I am real concerned about these underground aquifers and I can see no way, no way under this earth to do anything unless we force meters on them. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kelly and then Senator Murphy. Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. Speaker, members of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature, I would have some more questions with Senator Kremer.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer, do you yield? Senator Kelly has some questions for you.

SENATOR KREMER: Certainly.

SENATOR KELLY: Senator Kremer, one question that I fielded is that I had made a statement similar that we need this quality control in the NRDs because there is no way that it can be controlled now and the question is, can the Department of Environmental Control control underground water pollution now?

SENATOR KREMER: Senator Kelly, without doing further checking I would not be able to stand up here and tell you just exactly how much authority they have. I know they have been working on it and I do know that they do have a certain amount of authority and probably the authority they need, probably they do. I can't answer your question entirely.