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SENATOR KOCH: Pardon?

SENATOR MARESH: This provision to allow frontage feet, isn't that the same like class 1 cities?

SENATOR KOCH: In 250 we deal with cities total.

SENATOR MARESH: I know but presently this, what is second class cities and the villages in conformance with class 1 cities. Is that correct?

SENATOR KOCH: That is correct.

SENATOR MARESH: And that has been on the books since 1940. Is that right?

SENATOR KOCH: And I am saying that 250 is where we ought to deal with all cities that deals with an owner, resident or a record owner of title who may or may not live in a community.

SENATOR MARESH: It does the same thing only it includes all cities. Is that correct?

SENATOR KOCH: That is correct.

SENATOR MARESH: Why wasn't this called to the committee's attention when the bill was heard? There was no opposition to the bill at the hearing.

SENATOR KOCH: I am aware of that, Senator Maresh, but I also have, as a former city councilman dealing with improvements in a class 2 city such as I did, I found it extremely difficult to get sanitary improvement districts, improvement districts if you have to deal with absentee owners. I think you should only have to deal with the owners of title who are residents and live within that community who know what the community needs. I understand this bill as I look at the background, came basically from one community who had an individual who evidently didn't agree with the city who felt that the best thing to do was to make 60% the buyable figure in order to make approval rather than the 51% majority of the property owners.

SENATOR MARESH: You are talking about the city where they parcel out the land to several owners...I mean to divide the land up and...

SENATOR KOCH: That is right. Divide his land up into x number of lots so he would be the owner of record and would