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concern of mine right now. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Moore, you're next.

SENATOR MOORE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members, obviously, well not obviously, but certainly as usual there is always a concern over the cost of the bill. If you look at the fiscal note on LB 306 probably the major cost, the major portion of the cost of this bill, I think, Senator Beutler, has taken care of with this amendment, and though I think it was Senator Beutler's intent to try and eliminate all fiscal impact, I'm not sure that that has happened yet but the lion's share of that quarter of a million dollar, whatever, cost we could ever agree on is taken care of by this amendment. So obviously from that point of view I like Senator Beutler's amendment and I...but like I said, this bill still may need an A bill and maybe we can work on that down the road, Senator Beutler, but I think the lion's share of the cost is taken care of with this amendment. But another thing, and I guess as I look at Section 1 and Section 2 of this bill, I understand Lincoln's concern. I understand why the bill was introduced for the City of Lincoln and why it is necessary. What I don't understand is why is Section 1 and Section 2 necessary to accomplish those goals? I think Section 1 and Section 2...I don't know, you had stated there was a definition for natural stream, I would sure like to find that because I have yet to find it in statute, so I'd like to find out what that is and so I have a concern there. I guess it's my concern is do we really need...though Section 1 and Section 2 may be sound policy and may certainly fit in with differing ideas dealing with water policy, is Section 1 and Section 2 really necessary to solve the City of Lincoln's problems in this area. That's my first question, Senator Beutler, if you'd briefly answer that one for me. Senator Beutler, would you yield to a question?

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Beutler, would you respond, please.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Moore, I think there may be a question of judgment as to whether Section...subsection 3 is necessary. I think that it is. Others may disagree, but the point is what does subsection 3 do, if anything, other than to clarify the right that we're seeking to establish. I mean, if you are concerned that it does something more I'd certainly be glad to reword it or rework it so that it does not. All subsection 3