

Senator Moore has repeated essentially what would be my own position. I've got to the point now, since we started, I'm not sure what the money can be used for either. But maybe that was my position all along, come to think of it, because that's why we delayed the...deferred the appropriation until a deficit bill in January, so we would know what it was to be used for. I have a feeling that there will be a number of people who will feel they should support this and will all envision a different purpose for the money to be used. And a bunch of us are going to be wrong, because it's probably going to get used for something other than what we think it might be. If it cannot be used for plant acquisition, that certainly takes care of that problem, other than by the gasohol board itself, who apparently have declined to do that, or at least to this point have. So that is not an issue. I'm not sure at all what modernization of a plant means. I think I heard someone indicate that money could be used for modernization. But that is certainly different than expansion, or at least it is to me, or a new plant, obviously it's different than that. I'm not at all impressed, I guess, that the gasohol board is an investment board, which I guess that's really the issue. And I quite agree with those, it is taxpayers money. And I'm not at all impressed with some of the things that I've seen being done as a procedure. It may be okay, but as practice the end result of some things I've seen may be okay, but the practice that they're using I'm not at all comfortable about. What we're talking about is seven months, seven months and time that something is proposed, approved, we'll know where the money is going to go, how it's being proposed to be used. And I'd much rather spend seven months explaining why we deferred it than spending the next three years explaining why we allowed it to get blown. And I don't know if that is going to happen, but certainly the alternative could well be there. I see nothing wrong with the proposal as it has been planned out. It's nothing more than the ability of the Legislature to have some idea how those funds were to be used rather than speculation of a half dozen different things, none of which seem to be firm.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Coordsen, please, followed by Senator Hefner and Senator Schmit.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Personal philosophy, I suppose, that the real good use in this country of ethyl alcohol is for quality drinking liquor. But that process seems to be fairly well filled by private