

that's where we're going to be at. Appropriations Committee has labored long and hard to try to resolve a multitude of requests for funds and regardless of that there are still going to be a lot of battles on this floor as we fight over necessary appropriations. This is one which I believe we can all support. I would like to see it supported...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I would like to see...

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Schmit, what I'm going to do is I'm going to treat this as your opening on your amendment to the committee amendments...

SENATOR SCHMIT: Fine, that's fine with me.

SPEAKER BAACK: ...so you get another five minutes.

SENATOR SCHMIT: That's fine, okay, thank you. I would like to...is Senator Rod Johnson here? Let's see...I would like to ask that, I believe Senator Morrissey was...is Spencer here? No, there. Spencer, you made a trip to Wyoming and we've discussed this recently. I think Owen Elmer was out there and they might want to use some of my opening and I have not discussed it with them. They may shoot me down, but I'd like to give Spencer some of my time and maybe any time left let Owen Elmer give a few remarks.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members, and Senator Schmit, far be it from me to shoot you down, Senator Schmit. I agree the discussions we had in Wyoming were very productive. I didn't get to attend both meetings of both Legislatures. Natural Resources Committee sat down and discussed and we felt the opportunity to settle that Deer Creek problem without litigation, was very real. Another thing that was brought to our attention was the Wyoming Legislature...legislators very clearly said, fellows, we've got a ton of money to fight this with. We've got coal money back here that just won't end and we're ready to go if we have to. We'd just as soon not. So, with that, I can support Senator Schmit's statements and would give some time to Senator Elmer. Thank you.