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SENATOR WESELY: Well, I appreciate your answers, Senator Wehrbein, and I am willing to work with you and the others concerned with this legislation. I'm merely raising the issue. I think there should be a legitimate concern about this particular section and I welcome further debate on it.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: What does your amendment say, per se? You strike that?

SENATOR WESELY: I just strike Section 10, that's all it does.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: When I say work with it, may I speak at your time?

SENATOR WESELY: Oh, sure, go ahead, sure.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I'm willing to look at this. I am perhaps more, would be more receptive another year to look at ways of limiting this so we don't make a hasty decision. I will say that. If either we take it out or if we leave it in and look at this specific section because the rest of the bill is the critical area for wet corn milling in Nebraska.

SENATOR WESELY: All right, thank you, Senator Wehrbein.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Wesely. I'll now recognize senators wishing to address the Wesely amendment. Senator Bohlke. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Madam President and members, I would rise to oppose Senator Wesely's amendment and I concur with much of what has been said here this morning or this afternoon. But I do believe that at this time and I will just say at the outset that the amendment offered by myself and Senator Wehrbein is a result of many, many hours and days of consultation and equivocation and cooperation; and there are some aspects of the amendment which I do not really like. But I recognize that for the first time I think in 21 years we have a better meeting of the minds on this issue than we have had in all of that period of time. And I agree that there are some problems yet within the industry. But we have now either under construction or soon to be started approximately \$120 million worth of alcohol plant construction. And it is a growing industry in this state, will continue to grow, and I appreciate that there has been a concern