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And it funds the ethanol fund. I mean, as all compromises, there is a couple of areas I have to swallow hard on, just like many of the others do, and I...but I support this amendment as this consensus amendment. I am concerned about the committing of the cigarette tax and it will probably be an indication next year, as we get into that, and I have...I just want to recognize that, but as for the terms of funding the ethanol fund, I think it does what we need to do to keep that whole. I have the cash flow figures as...with me here. It does satisfactorily fund this until about '98. We are having to look at further funding sources into the future after...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...after the fertilizer tax declines. So that is one issue that you should be aware of. Senator Kristensen may talk about that a little bit later, I am not sure. But from my perspective, it does what was what I had certainly hoped to do from the start. It does take the fertilizer tax nearly off. What I am particularly satisfied with that that dollar that is left on the fertilizer tax is going to go to water quality, the problems, the wells, abandoned wells, and Soil and Water Conservation Fund, so it is going to continue to benefit agriculture, and that is very helpful to me.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time. Thank you, Senator. Any items for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Madam President, thank you. LR 508 by the Health Committee, it will be referred to the board. Enrollment and Review reports LB 1241, LB 1349, LB 1349A, LB 1354, LB 1175, LR 29CA as correctly engrossed. (See pages 1952-54 of the Legislative Journal.)

Madam President, Senator Robinson would move to amend the Ashford et al. amendment. (See FA573 on page 1954 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Madam President, members of the body, I bring to you an amendment that is found on page 7, which will delete lines 3 to 5, and I will read it to you. It says, the stipulation which requires the producer to hire contractors who employ construction workers who receive health care benefits