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is there a deadline on the date or why would they...

SENATOR SCHROCK: But now if the two...if the two plants...if only one of them materializes, I would assume there would be funding there for another plant, somewhere.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay, but no one else could come on without some legislation then?

SENATOR SCHROCK: That would be my assumption, but...

SENATOR KREMER: Okay. Well, anyway, I was thinking if another plant did come on and if the funds had grown more than \$15 million, then there would be funds available for that. But there's nothing to say that we can't stop, if the EPIC Fund grew to something larger than was needed, then we could sure cut the checkoff and cut the General Funds out anywhere along the line in the seven years that we...that we project this. So, again, I would like to oppose the amendment. I think it can be done a better way. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kremer. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Coordsen, on the second part of the Raikes amendment.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Waive off.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Coordsen waives off. Senator Raikes, there are no further lights on, did you wish to close on the second part of the divided question? Senator Raikes, you're recognized to close on the second part of the divided question, if you wish to.

SENATOR RAIKES: I would, thank you, Mr. President, members. I again am sure you've learned from the discussion what this is about, but it would cap...it would cap the amount of money collected from checkoffs and it would also put a minimum amount of that or amount on that fund so that the amount...there would be a sufficient but not an excessive amount available to support the production incentives. So with that, I...I hope you'll support this part of the amendment. Thank you.