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statute the way it is now.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. So again, the current status of the law provides for a variable gas tax in the event that the EPIC Fund runs short. Is that accurate?

SENATOR CONNEALY: That's my understanding, yes.

SENATOR BOURNE: And LB 10...or, excuse me, LB 983 took that provision out and you're trying to put it back in, saying that when LB 1065 comes up, should that pass, the new funding mechanism in LB 1065 will be sufficient and we won't need 66-4,142.

SENATOR CONNEALY: Yes.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. Thank you, Senator Connealy. One last question, Senator Connealy.

SENATOR CONNEALY: Yes.

SENATOR BOURNE: You introduced the bill as Vice Chair now, but this floor amendment is not on behalf of the committee. It's your floor amendment?

SENATOR CONNEALY: It's got my name on it.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. Thank you, Senator Connealy. I think that this is a significant change. I need to go back and read what this section is. But the bill that we agreed upon coming out of committee struck this provision, and now Senator Connealy is advocating that we put it back in. So hopefully, we'll have a little debate, why, we can figure out exactly what this section does.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bourne. Further discussion? Senator Louden, followed by Senators Baker, Bromm, Kremer. Senator Louden.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Well, thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I would like to ask Senator Connealy some