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SPEAKER MARVEL: Is there any further discussion? Senator Kahle, do you wish to respond to the Hoagland amendment?

SENATOR KAHLE: I'd like to ask Senator....Mr. Speaker and members of the body, a question or two. How do you.... I guess what happens if we are in the process, it's going to take some time we all know that, and we're depending a great deal on some government money that will come in, also some old west money, and if we aren't able to actually be under construction in two years, this could cause us a great deal of problems. How far do you expect to go in two years? I guess that's my question.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: I think, Senator Kahle, it may be that you misunderstand the effect of my amendments. My amendments indicate that the agreements with other states have to be concluded within two years, and if a sufficient number of agreements....I think Section 1 requires that there be agreements with two other states before we can go forward with the project, and all I'm saying is that there has to be agreements with at least two other states, within two years or else the project will not show sufficient viability to remain an open-ended license on the statute books of the state of Nebraska.

SENATOR KAHLE: Could I ask you one more question, Senator Hoagland?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Sure.

SENATOR KAHLE: Will you vote for the bill if this amendment is added?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Well, it will make me much more inclined to vote for the bill than I am right now, Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Well, I think two years is probably plenty of time. We already have two states that have passed at least tentative legislation and I'm sure they're sticking they're toe in the cold water just as we are trying to get ahold of this thing, but personally I really have no objection to the two year limitation, but I would hope we get some support from it and that this is not just a delaying tactic.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, we are discussing the Hoagland amendment.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature,