

of mischief. I know we leave here on Friday evening and we expect things to be half way docile until we get back on Monday morning. When you hear rumblings out in the country that there are meetings going on and that there are decisions being made relative to spending millions of dollars, while the average senator is out taking care of his farm or his business or whatever he wants to do on the weekend and you come back here on Monday morning and I have to admit that I had to set a corn planter this morning, so I wasn't able to be here at 9:00 as I usually am, or more likely at 6:00 when I usually am here and I find that great changes have taken place. I find a chilling effect upon the budget process in the form of a chiller, I mentioned that before, that is fine with me. I'm getting so tired of the bloomin chiller that I'm willing to pay for it. But I don't think that it ought to be paid for out of county funds. I didn't like the idea of losing the Ag Engineering building over the weekend either. I'm sure that those people who met did not place high priority on Ag Engineering. This morning I find that there are those who rise even though they had to stand in line over the weekend to buy gasoline somewhere and say there is no real problem with gasoline supplies. We really don't need that million dollars that the Governor talked about for gasohol. I'm going to quote you some things relative to that at a later date. I think that to stand here before this body and speak as to how it is important for the state to maintain its 7% limitation at the expense of the counties is the highest form of hypocrisy. I want to be on record as saying so. I find it almost unbelievable that some of my good friends from Lancaster and Douglas County who will benefit the most from this amendment on 138 are in the forefront of the arrangement, so to speak. As I have said earlier it is not that important to Butler County except from the standpoint of principle. Butler County does not have a high amount of dollars in this program, although percentage wise it is significant. I think that it is important for us to be realistic and it is absolutely not fair for us to stand here and say the state maintained its 7% spending limitation, oh yeah, we did that. All we did was back out on a commitment that was made a long while before most of you were members of this body. Those costs have risen to the counties time after time after time and they have had nothing to say about those costs and the state has each year come in and faithfully promise to take over that balance of the 20%. But, when the time comes for it to be delivered upon we always find something a little more pressing. I think that it is unfair. I do not believe that the amendment should be adopted and I believe that LB 138 should be enacted as it is in its present form. I want to say once more and I want to say it for the record and I want to say it for all to hear. I do not mind