

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kahle, Senator Nichol, Senator Koch, Senator Schmit, Senator Kelly. I call your attention again, the major problem in this Legislature has to do with management of time. Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, if I understand what Senator Fowler is trying to do, it would make the program almost, at least, unworkable because you would have to go out and work with the ranchers without being able to tell them how much they are going to have to pay, depending on how many acres were sprayed and I don't believe it will work. I would sure hate to order a spraying job if I didn't know what I was supposed to pay and I don't see how you can tell what is going to be paid if it isn't put down in black and white. You are saying one third of whatever it might be, whatever the money might be, whatever it is allotted for that purpose and if they sign up more acres or less acres, are they going to have to quit spraying then or are they going to have to go back and tell the rancher, well, we've got more acres now so your fee is going to go up? I think it is unworkable this way. I think you are going to have to...it is going to be tough enough to negotiate with those ranchers after the lousy job we did last year spraying those grasshoppers and it just looks to me like you are complicating the bill and I think that is the sole purpose of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Speaker, I oppose the Fowler amendment for the simple reason the ranchers are now having their organizational meetings as to whether or not they want to be involved in the program. We need to know now what we are going to do. I sure would hate to go out there in the next two or three weeks and say to the ranchers, we are going to pay a third and then come back later and say, well, I'm sorry, we didn't fund it. This one makes us look silly. I don't care whether you vote yes or no, well I do prefer that you vote yes to fund this on the basis of a third, but I surely don't want to go out there this spring and say, well, I think we are going to pay a third and then when the bill comes in, say, sorry, you pay two thirds. I would much rather set the stage now and let me emphasize again, we are going one year at a time. This is one year's worth. If we don't need a spraying program we don't spend any of this money. You save your whole \$6,000,000 bucks, but no rancher is going to go in even at a third or two thirds on that kind of a basis. He would be crazy to so I would like to make up our mind now what we are going to do and then we will have something solid to go out there and we don't want another