

pretty substantial increase to be borne by not too many people, but the really major cost is going to come about when we are forced, as landowners, to carry out certain eradication measures and I would hope that there will not be inequity in the enforcement of the law. I would hope that as the senators that I mentioned review this bill they will determine if the bill can be enforced and if it can be enforced equitably. Will it be enforced against the owner of the lot in Omaha, the railroad that goes through my farm, and the other jurisdictions as well as it will be against the individual landowner? And perhaps, again, this might be a good time to call upon the resources of the University of Nebraska for some excellent help in trying to determine just how and when is the best method of bringing about some kind of control and, hopefully, eradication. There may be some other method better than chemicals that we don't know of yet today which needs to be experimented with. We've heard rumors of that but it so far has not worked out. But, in the meantime, we're going to rely upon chemicals and I want to point out to you that I have, for some time, been trying to provide for some funding, as has Senator Rod Johnson, for a super fund for the clean-up of the spills or the clean-up of the chemicals. We've been trying to provide for some kind of protection from hazardous waste, trying to provide for some kind of protection from the endanger...the danger to the water table from landfills and all of those are going to require an expensive kind of program. And how they relate to each other, what we can do to make them work well together is going to be a major issue. I hope that the members of this body who come from urban areas recognize...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...that we are embarking upon a program here which, if it doesn't have teeth in it, it ought not to be passed. If it does have teeth in it, it's going to be very, very demanding upon your jurisdictions and I hope that the good senators who will work on this between now and Select File will have a thorough understanding of the bill, be able to come back to us on Select File and tell us more about the costs, more about their directions which they intend to go. I had hoped that Senator Warner would be on the floor today, but just in the event that he is listening, I would assume that there will be some time when we will be going to the Appropriations Committee requesting some additional funds for the state in order to enforce this bill as it is drafted. I support the committee