

a definition of "quality" in the bill. The definition of quality shall say, "The determination of quality shall include a study of environmental impact and the fate of such disposable diapers." I feel that we do have the technology and the process to manufacture disposable, degradable diapers but there are some companies involved that feel that they do not have a good technology yet. And, like I said in my opening statement when this bill came up on General File and I also said at the public hearing that I did not want to put any company out of business. And so I want to hold to my word. There is a Colorado company that are manufacturing these diapers and they're having a real good response. In fact, their sales have increased tenfold just recently. So I feel that we do have it, but in order to help these other companies that say that they believe that they would have a problem with it, I want to certainly try to help them out too. And so I offer this amendment in good faith and hopefully there will not be any more amendments to this bill. So this is a compromise amendment and I wish that you folks would support it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the Hefner amendment? Senator Nelson, would you care to discuss it? Senator Korshoj, would you care to discuss the amendment?

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Mr. Speaker and members, I would like to ask Senator Hefner a question. You referred several times to a compromise. Who were the parties in this compromise?

SENATOR HEFNER: I, as an introducer of the bill, was one of those and the company that we were working with was Procter and Gamble.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: And all this does is set it back ten months or nine or so?

SENATOR HEFNER: Yes.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Otherwise does not really change the bill any to speak...

SENATOR HEFNER: Well, it also spells out the definition of quality. They thought we ought to put a definition of quality in the bill. I don't think it was necessary, but if this makes them happy and they will not oppose the bill, well, I'm willing to go with it.