

committee and all to see that it is done properly, but what you are asking for, what would I do. I only can come from my educational background and that is the more people know and understand, the less fearful they become.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay, I want to go on with that, then, just a little bit further because I do think that most of the people that I have been in contact with have been fairly well informed, and they have reached what I think are valid differing opinions about this facility, but this really points out the problem that we have got, and it is a very difficult one, is that these people, basically, have been told that they are going to have the right to accept or reject this facility and probably, more importantly, that they were not going to have a facility unless they wanted one, and I guess that is where Senator Landis's amendment, although in the beginning I wouldn't have accepted that, and I think that the right to have a veto is probably the ultimate one that they were promised, I guess I will come to this point and agree and accept Senator Landis's amendment as being a fair compromise in this area. It is not the ultimate compromise that I would like to see happen, but, Senator Weihing, I think that you made some points that probably struck me...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: ...that there is a conclusion in this body that the facility will be safe, and I think all of us hope that it will be safe. All of us have seen all of the information. They are trying to guarantee us that it will be. But the people who have to live around that facility aren't that convinced, and I think that they are rational people, and I do think they have read a lot, but I think they have some basic concerns about that. But that is another issue, the safety issue doesn't go to the right to consent, and I don't want to confuse those two issues. The real issue here is have they been promised the right to say, yes, we want it, or, no, we don't. I am willing to get rid of that ability for them to say no as long as we have the right to a vote to consent to it, and as much as I hate to do this, I guess I will go along and support the Landis amendment and certainly support the Dierks amendment at this point in time. But, based on all the quotes from our Governor, down through our Department of Environmental Control, down through the people who are actually doing the siting,...