

crafty amendment Senator Haberman has introduced in past years. I distinctly remember an amendment a few years back when Senator Haberman had an amendment to the lottery bill saying the only county that could have a lottery is if they had so many thousand acre feet of surface water, which happened to be his county. And I respect Senator Haberman's ability to craft amendments that serve a specific special interest in a special area but I think, as Senator Haberman just exhibited on the last amendment, when he gave the Department of Economic Development some flexibility to do what...set their own priorities for those type of monies, I wish he would have the same criteria of the Department of Roads, which he, obviously, doesn't. But, Senator Haberman, you said this doesn't cost...now you're off the phone, you're saying it's not costing money. Is that what you said?

SENATOR HABERMAN: I said I'm not adding to the appropriations bill, I'm not taking away from the appropriations bill. I'm not adding for money or subtracting for money. I'm just asking if you look at the facts, this highway should be moved up in criteria and if there's 500 miles that 97 percent of it is bad, they should be moved up too. That's what I'm saying, Senator.

SENATOR MOORE: So you're saying we want to reprioritize the need.

SENATOR HABERMAN: According to the priority list, it ranks four firsts out of their own study. So using their own study we're way up on the list. And if you look at the testimony, which you probably...

SENATOR MOORE: But you're...Senator Haberman, it's not just Highway 61, you're talking about all the roads that are 30 years old?

SENATOR HABERMAN: I'm not trying to be small about this. Sure it includes 61 but I'm saying if there are some other roads that meet the same criteria that haven't been fixed in 34 years, let's fix them first.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay.

SENATOR HABERMAN: That's what I'm saying.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay, well, I think, as Senator Warner mentioned, there's probably a lot more roads than Highway 61