

eight members of this body should get together and tell the ethanol board what they should or shouldn't do. A few minutes ago we had Senator Baack and some of the other senators get up and sing the praises of we have an ethanol board, they're in charge, they should make the decisions. We have to have faith in the board. So already on this floor we have a split on whose to do who, and what, and why. Not only that, we have to make a decision whether we can spend this \$10 million by July, or the end of July. So what they're saying is, hey folks, we have a once in a life time opportunity, but we have to do it by the end of July. We have to spend this \$10 million by the end of July. Well, doesn't that say anything to you folks? Doesn't it say anything to you that here on the floor we've sung the praises of the board, that here on the floor we've said we've got to have six or eight senators tell the board what we want. Then they go a step further and say, we have to spend this \$10 (sic) by the end of July. Are we going to sit here, are you going to sit here and you have been told two or three different stories, you've been told we're going to return this to the farmer, we're going to return it to the farmer. We're going to have nonprofit corporation and return it to the farmer. I'd like to see that. But we have to do it by the end of July. We have to spend this \$10 million by the end of July so these poor farmers can get some results. Then we have somebody else say well if it isn't done by the end of July maybe we shouldn't give them the money. Well, you can bet your bottom dollar that there are enough attorneys available that are going to take whatever bill we pass, or whatever appropriations we make and they're going turn that around and they're going to dig and change so that they can get their hands on the \$10 million. I hope I stand up here a year from now and say Haberman, you were wrong, but I don't believe I will. I don't believe I will. The votes are here to give them the \$10 million, I know that. However, those of you who vote to give the \$10 million, I want you to recall what was said here on the floor because in LB 587 a nonprofit corporation cannot buy any ethanol plant, we put that in 587. According to the criteria of the ethanol board they can't buy any plant, they can't meet the criteria. Look at the bids, what it says, you have to have this information in within a week. You have to have all of this financial sheets and all these stuff in...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ...in a week. Look at the other two bidders. Are there anybody that anybody has ever heard of? No. Pan