

is the confusing...one of the many confusing aspects of the whole bill and of this particular amendment.

SENATOR WARNER: Senator, I would see absolutely no difference with or without the amendment, because if it only affects, as the bill is drafted now, those in the future, the first one in, if it is 90 days after the session and it cost a half a million dollars, there won't be anything in there either. They will have to wait until the money is built up. You know, this would be the same, you will wait until the money builds up. I don't know how else it would work.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Okay, and I really...this is the true rock and a hard place, folks. You have just got to decide in your own mind who you are going to discriminate against, and I probably won't know until I push the button how I am going to vote on Senator Warner's amendment. I am sure I have got people in my district that it would affect, one way or the other, and you must realize that if we adopt this amendment, the Governor may veto it, and if this bill is absolutely necessary to pass, so if we add this amendment and make it liable for veto, we had better be more than willing to override that veto if it comes back, because we definitely must have this bill in the form it is in now, and I can't disagree with Senator Warner on his amendment, but we have to make those decisions, who you are going to discriminate against, and if it will cause a veto, and if we are willing to override the veto if the bill comes back if this amendment is attached. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Rod Johnson, please, followed by Senator Schmit and Senator Warner.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President, I stand to support the amendment. I have been working with some constituents of mine who have been in situations where contamination has occurred in particular areas of my district. They have been working with the EPA and the DEC, and in many cases, financially the response to this cleanup has been a tremendous hardship on them and I think anything we can do in this Legislature to assist those folks I think would be a welcome relief to many of them who simply either are going to have to expend great amounts of dollars to try and correct the problem, or simply go out of business. And as has been pointed out, in some circumstances, you are going to see some areas of this state probably without service in petroleum because people will not risk the threat of