

this is the time we need to focus on this problem. And I haven't said a thing about off-road vehicles or tractor tires or anything. I have been very kind to those. I am just thinking about passenger car tires generally because it used to be that we would retread about 80 percent of our tires that we used for passenger vehicles. Now that is down to 17 percent, and so I, again, am speaking about percentages but I would urge...I was hoping that this would be the closing because I would imagine that we would all like to close on this issue, but I would like to urge the body to continue to consider either my amendment or, if not that, then an allocation amendment that might be brought on Select File. But I want to say one thing before I do close, and that is this, that this is in no way meant to damage Senator Johnson's intent or content or his desire for the bill. I laud him for having brought so many waste management bills. I laud Senator Schmit for also his efforts. But I think it is time that we really wake up to this fact.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR BECK: And, again, I would urge that you would consider my amendment today and, hopefully, that you would vote for it.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Question.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called. Thank you. You are the last speaker. Senator Beck, would you like to close.

SENATOR BECK: No, I just wanted to say, bless you, to Senator Lynch. Thank you, sir.

PRESIDENT: Bless you, Senator Lynch.

SENATOR BECK: And, please, please, think about the damage that those mosquitoes are doing in those tires, those larvae are living at this point, and, perhaps, it may be you who that mosquito bites. And I am not really being...I am trying to be facetious but I am not really because it is a serious problem and it is going to grow ever more serious. I would ask that you would hurriedly vote my amendment up, down, out, or whatever, so that we might proceed with other business in the body.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. the question is the adoption of the...I