

as Senator Schmit...Schimek. I just have one quick question for you, and I hope you won't mind answering it. Now, we're talking about plan or plans here in your amendment. Will your plan meet the new EPA standards that are going to come down in about, well, at the very most two years, probably as early as 18 months? And I know you and I are both concerned about that. Will the plan that you're looking at or proposing through the amendment, will that meet those standards?

PRESIDENT: Senator Morrissey, please.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Yes, of course, it would be foolish of us not to implement a statewide plan that would not be compatible with the federal regs.

SENATOR BECK: Okay. Now we do have a plan really in operation now, in a sense, don't we? Can you an...would you want to answer that? I mean I'm under the impression that we do, but...

SENATOR MORRISSEY: We asked for a copy of the state plan, and we had folks digging for a couple of weeks looking for it. They finally found it. There's not a lot to it, really.

SENATOR BECK: Okay, that was...yeah, that's...well, and it definitely would be outmoded by the time we got the new EPA standards, wouldn't it, just completely outmoded?

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Yes.

SENATOR BECK: Okay. Well, listen, I hope that you don't feel that that question was unfriendly. I just thought that maybe we ought to make, that, maybe in the wording of your amendment or whatever, throughout this process, that we make sure that we understand that any plan that we do develop, and we need a plan, will be one that is current and will meet those new guidelines that look very, very stringent and pretty restrictive.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: I think we could very simply add wording later, if this amendment passes.

SENATOR BECK: Okay, fine. Thank you so much, Senator Morrissey, for your answer.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Rod Johnson, please.