

to talk about the various ideas that some of the senators had for this bill, and what is in this amendment is, basically, some of the consensus that we reached on some of the ideas. I want to make it very clear that not all of the ideas or concepts that were being promoted by some of the senators are incorporated in this amendment. I have asked those senators, then, to file their own motions on this bill to cover those particular areas of concern that they have for this solid waste matter. But for those amendments, at least, that we could agree upon, they have been incorporated in this amendment. I would like to quickly try to go through those. The first part of the substantial aspects of this amendment would strike the original language that has something to do with the tire fee language. We will redefine what a tire fee will be, and in Section 4, where the fee on tires will be on vehicles, trailers, semis, and the collection of that tax will begin on October 1 of 1990, and the collection will be at the county treasurer's office in the case of new vehicles, when they are registered, and then the money is remitted to the Nebraska Department of Revenue, and the fee on replacement tires will be collected also on October 1. It will be, basically, treated the same as sales tax and the retailer will then collect the tax and remit that on to the Department of Revenue. It also helps define what a tire is. That does not include recapped or regrooved tires, and it also limits the Department of Revenue to its actual cost for collection of the reimbursement, not the open-ended language that we had for their cost because there was some concern that they may gouge the fund for more than their actual cost. Secondly, the revenue from the sales of state...by the state of recyclables will go to the State Resource Recovery Fund and not into this fund. There is a fund that is going on right now for recycling and we don't want to conflict with that fund. We would like to make sure that that fund is not harmed in any way by the collection of this new fund, and so we are complying with the Governor's fund, so to speak, and the Resource Recovery Fund so that they can continue to maintain some level of revenue. Also, we add a new section to specify that the funds may be used for grants by a foreclosing of unlicensed landfills, for regionalization, for transfer stations, and land disposal grants must provide for reduction and recycling. It also specifies that no grant can be made for a political subdivision which operates an unlicensed landfill unless that political subdivision is using those funds within a two-year period to get that landfill or dump up to federal standards. We don't want to, and this is an amendment offered by Senator Wesely that attempted to not use the money in