

energy concept, and there is an amendment that Senator Beck has just distributed that will be coming up that will discuss more about the tire research and recycling and potentially waste to energy concepts with tires, and I wanted to clarify that. But, Senator Wehrbein, you had indicated you might want to ask Senator Hefner a question. I would relinquish the rest of my time to Senator Wehrbein, if he has some more comments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Wehrbein, four and a half minutes.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, thanks, Senator Johnson. I just had another question I neglected to ask Senator Hefner. When you say assistance to a private or public, is this a grant form so you could say here is \$1,000 to go help? How do you propose to get around the constitutionality of that type of thing?

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Wehrbein, I am saying that could be either/or, and like I told Senator Rod Johnson, if this amendment is adopted, I will request an Attorney General's opinion, but I believe we have it written so that it would be constitutional for a private company to get a grant or a low interest loan or whatever it may be. It would probably have to go through a public entity like a county or maybe a number of counties, or a municipality, or something like that.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, I admit I am a little unsure as to what I will do here. I think I am a little concerned, I am not intimately familiar with this bill, but I think I agree with Senator Morrissey that I am not sure that this fits in with this bill properly, and I would relinquish the rest of Senator Johnson's time to you, if you would want to respond to that, Senator Hefner. That is all I have.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, thank you. I would just...there are two funds in this bill. One fund is created by the amendment that Senator Morrissey was successful in getting on the other day, and this would take a million and a half out of the General Fund. Then there is another fund that is...it is in Section 2 of the original bill. It says, "There is hereby created a Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Fund to be administered by the Department of Environmental Control." And then, "The fund shall consist of revenue from the following sources:" and then it goes on and on, and then there is a list what could be used, and I am just adding another subsection to that saying that one more use would be for capital assistance for establishing a private or