

attack us for putting a major burden upon newsprint or paper. But newsprint and magazines are one of the major problems at the landfills, and so we avoid that. The problem is that no one knows at the present time how much money this bill is going to raise. We just as well raise a little more money, Senator Johnson and Senator Moore, and then we have got a hell of a lot of money we can play around with so we can hire a lot of people, and we can run around the state and take surveys, and take pictures of dumps, and lots of other things, but we will not really address the problem relative to solid waste. What we will do will be to having something we can talk about. I have suggested that if you want to address the solid waste problem, you have to come in with a General Fund appropriation. That is the only fair way to do it. You spread the cost across the entire State of Nebraska, across the entire population, and then you address it on a broad basis. Why tires? I am willing to put a tax on a tire, period, or on a vehicle, if you do it for everything else. Why, I know farms that don't generate a bushel basket full of waste for anybody's landfill in a year's time. You have a tax on them. And other businesses that generate tons and tons of waste are going to have the same tax. Not equitable. Put it on a General Fund appropriation, make some stiff requirements with the proper agency to supervise it and let them proceed. But, Senator Johnson, do you know...a question, please.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Do you know how much money the bill will raise in its original form, number one; in its present form, number two; and in the form it would be in if the Hefner amendment goes on, number three? Can you answer that question for me?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: First of all, I don't know how much Senator Hefner's amendment would generate. I thought he said \$3 million, is that correct? No.

PRESIDENT: Gentlemen, would you ask your question through the microphone, please.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: He said \$600,000 would be generated on his diaper tax. The original bill generated approximately \$3 million, most of that coming from the tire tax. I don't have the breakdowns right in front of me at this point, but the business fee...