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SENATOR SCHMIT: ...that as of a certain date in March 1993, you shall comply. And the rules and the regs are there. Now you keep on diddling around like you're doing, with all these amendments. and I will guarantee you no one will know what you've got. And if you think you were confused reading the World-Herald this morning, God help us tomorrow morning. Ladies and gentlemen, I support Lamb because I always do, but the facts are that you better go back and reject the committee amendments, go back to the original bill and you will know what you've got. You buy the rest of this hodgepodge and you won't know what you've got. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Madam President, folks, this isn't easy but I would like to call the question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: I see no one else wishing to speak on the issue so we will go to closing. Do you have a closing statement, Senator Lamb?

SENATOR LAMB: Well, Madam Chair, members, I was hoping this would be accepted because it really gives some of those...you know, I think most of those small towns and villages are going to either close or be licensed. But, you know, there's some of them, you know, maybe they're 50 or 100 miles from wherever they're going to have to haul the garbage. They should have another option. They should have another option. They should have the option to go to the expense to prove to DEC that what they're doing while they can't...they can't comply with all the licensure requirements because of the expense, what they've got out there is not polluting the environment, not polluting the water. And if Senator Beutler wants to broaden it like he did yesterday, that's fine. But there should be that option out there that one or two cities maybe somewhere in this state would not find it possible to license their landfill, couldn't afford it but yet they're going to be in the situation of hauling their garbage a 100 miles, you know, and I don't have any faith in the rules and regs, as Senator Johnson just mentioned, this Legislature has very little control over those. We will turn it over to the DEC. Are they going to take that into consideration? Do you think they're going to take that into consideration? No. They're going to say the Legislature said, you either license it or you close it up, there's no third alternative. This is a fair alternative. This is one that