

Chairman of the Natural Resources Committee, put this issue before you, and allow you to vote on it. I guess I am saying there are lots of things that can happen between now and then, and one of them, in LB 837, if you read that bill, in Section 1, it starts out saying, this bill allows our Governor the right to deny access to the site if they don't ratify the changes that we, the host state, have offered in LB 837. So the Governor of the State of Nebraska may deny access of our site to those states who have not ratified the changes in LB 837. I agree with Senator Morrissey, I don't see a connection between this issue and LB 837. I simply see this as dealing with a technical aspect of the whole siting and licensing process, and that the State of Nebraska will not hold title to the property unless that facility or that site is licensable. And if it is not, then we start all over again, and that may be the objective...in fact, I know it is the objective of some, which is fine, but, eventually, whether it is at this site or some other site that may be located in Nebraska, the transfer will have to happen before the site...or before the facility can be built. And I am simply offering it. We can expedite this matter at this time. I have been told, Senator Morrissey tells you that the chance for the execution of the license may not be until January or March of next year. I have been told that possibly the earliest date could be in late October of this year, when we will not be in session. So I throw that out to you as well. That came from some sources in DEC. So there is a lot...

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: ...of speculation and differences of opinion over where or when we will reach the date when a license might be issued or might be denied. But this is a matter of timing. This whole issue is a matter of when the timing is correct to make the transfer of the property.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Rod Johnson. Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Mr. President and members. It is, folks, a matter of timing and the timing is not right now. I just talked to the DEC, that we just talked to them today. January of '92 or March of '92, the earliest they will be ready to grant the license, so that is the timing issue right there.