

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Haberman. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members, I'd like to ask Senator Beutler. I think I've got my questions answered, because I called downstairs. But that's true, this money can't be used, I guess, won't be used in general on the recreational trail. There will be probably specific sites. Would that be true?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I'm sorry, I missed your point.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Will this money from the habitat, going into the wildlife habitat area, won't...probably won't be in a general area on the recreational trail, but will be specific sites on that trail.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: In other words, it will be...I'm concerned, I'm not quite convinced that wildlife, and horse trails, and bicycle trails, and hiker trails are all compatible within a narrow lane of 100 to 300 feet, whatever the...if I'm accurate on the width of that trail.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Um-huh.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And I would think if it would work, it would have to be in spots. And I was wondering if that was your understanding, too.

SENATOR BEUTLER: That was my understanding. The way they've done it in other states, the way I understand it, is that they have...those that are interested in habitat, usually have some very direct negotiations about specific areas along a specific corridor that will be identified and treated a little bit differently than other areas along the corridor. In some areas the corridor expands out, so it's really quite a ways from the actual trail. And they are excellent for habitat.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay. Thank you. I probably will support this amendment, assuming the bill may or may not go. I don't know. But I am uncomfortable with...I think wildlife is appropriate. I'm not sure it's appropriate, as I said, with bicycles, and hikers, and horses, I know, are going to be using