

we decided, well, let's get the focus down to the specific site that is being applied for a license on, let's give that monitoring committee the money they need, let's give them some specific duties in which to look at, not to limit their ability to do things, but to give them some purpose. And I know I remember talking with a few people from Boyd County who came in and originally opposed the bill, then said, well, you know there are some parts of the bill we like, but we really don't like that laundry list of duties because we feel it hamstrings us or ties our hands, and we might want to do some other things. And I said, what are the other things in the bill, that you don't see in the bill that you'd like to have? Well, we can't really think of any right now, but maybe we might think of some later, and we don't want to have to be locked into these things. And I have yet to hear from any folks on the other side of this issue, who don't like the laundry list, have said, you haven't included something that we'd like in there. We tried to make the laundry list as broad as possible so they have specific focused goals on which to study and monitor and, hopefully, keep the public informed, and that is really what the monitoring committee is all about. It is to keep the public informed and, hopefully, be a watchdog, a supervisor over the contractor, US Ecology. What I see in the Morrissey amendment is that we are going to refund the other two sites as well as the Boyd County site. I don't know the relevance of that, other than some people have said, well, what happens if Boyd County fails, the site at Boyd County is not licensable because of a variety of reasons, we start the siting process over, and we might go back to Nuckolls County, we might go back to Nemaha County, and we want to make sure those site committees or those monitoring committees are up and operational and have continued, because we want continuity? Well, I will tell you what I would like to do, if Boyd County fails, and I don't think it is unfair to say that that is still a state of doubt as to whether the Boyd County site is licensable. I don't know yet, but there's still, probably, a year yet before we will know whether that specific site is licensable. But if it fails, and we have talked about this in Natural Resources Committee, Senator Elmer, if you remember, we talked about this. Why not dissolve this whole siting process of trying to build this facility on the basis of economic reasons, have the state use its eminent...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: ...domain powers, go find what we consider,