

other committee members who voted for this, I don't think any of them intentionally voted so we could violate the community or good faith to the compact, so that we could lose control of the project, so we could have the other states jam it down our throats, they could throw us out and not allow us to build our facility or to have access to the facility. I can't, for the life of me, imagine without a citizens' revolt that we have a low-level waste facility built in Nebraska and Nebraska is denied access to it. That conceivably does not compute, in my mind, how anybody could conceivably tell us you're responsible for building the facility, you violated good faith, you're going to build it, but you're not going to have any access to it, these other states will, I mean, the citizens would burn that place to the ground in a second. And I just, you know, I realize the points that Senator Morrissey brings up are legitimate ones, but I don't think, in reality and practicality, that that's going to happen. And the issue of the volume was one that was made in good faith...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: ...by the committee to deal with the problem. This is the last time I'll speak on the bill. Thank you.

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

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you. I agree with Senator Johnson. As I said, when we discussed this in committee it was strictly an importation question. I didn't realize that US Ecology had submitted an app...license application, and I know Senator Johnson didn't, the other members didn't, realize that US Ecology had submitted a license application for less than what the state law called for. But just by coincidence they did. Now by doing this, intentionally or not, we're passing retroactive legislation for US Ecology, we're taking them off the hook. And there might be other implications. Why? The question still hasn't been answered, why did they reduce the size of the facility? Did US Ecology do that to do the citizens of Nebraska a favor? Has that been their style, do the citizens a favor? Maybe it's, hey, we've abused these people so long, we'll just do them a favor, we'll reduce, on our own volition, the volume that's going to go in this facility. Ask yourself that, folks, why is US Ecology reducing the volume, for our own sake, or do they have a different agenda? Is there a reason