

community consent. We want the people to be satisfied that this is a good idea. We want everybody to know this is a safe project. We believe everybody should be happy with it, brings job and economic advantages to the State of Nebraska and everybody should be delighted and we're going to give you community consent on this issue. And then they say, okay, fine, we want to vote on it. And we go, well, but we can't determine what community consent is so you don't have the right to vote on it. I mean, we're double talking and we're not being honest with the people in the State of Nebraska. And LB 72 is an opportunity for us to finally, very late in the game, I believe, to say that we're going to keep the promise that was made many years ago, that there will be community consent. And if we couldn't determine it years ago and said then...we should have said then that we weren't going to have community consent, but it's wrong for us to say again and again and again that we're going to offer community consent, we're going to allow the people to have a voice, we're going to not put it in a place where people don't want it, and then every time the people in the area start talking about they don't want it, we back off and say, well, we can't determine what community consent is, it's too hard for us and, therefore, we're not going to allow you to decide what it is because we can't decide what it is.

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR HORGAN: I don't believe that's fair. I don't believe that's right and I don't think we have been totally honest with the people in the State of Nebraska on this whole issue. And if you want to move it to another...if we want to move it to another county, then that's fine. But I think we cannot tell people that they can ask, invite a company into their community and at any time before the facility is built they will have the right to reject it and that we can't tell people in this state that they have these rights and that we will give them community consent and that we, as legislators, will set that policy and then every time somebody asks us to set what that policy is we back away from it. It's not fair and it's not right and I think we ought to vote on this bill and I think we ought to pass it on to the Governor who wants to sign it.

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

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Madam President, and members. Again an issue like this surfaces in Nebraska. Promises made