

Speak again. Thank you.

**SPEAKER BAACK:** Senator Moore.

**SENATOR MOORE:** When I listen to Senator Schmit speak there, I sympathize with him and sympathize how the creator of Frankenstein must have felt, Senator Schmit. In some ways, your bill has got us into this mess but that is beside the point, Senator Schmit. But I do rise to agree with what you said, Senator Schmit. Senator Wehrbein has a good point but I would rise to oppose his amendment, as I will Senator Johnson's amendment. Senator Wehrbein is correct in the fact unless you do something the way Senator Johnson's amendment reads, you will buy down that fund. Maybe, Senator Johnson, would you yield to a question?

**SENATOR R. JOHNSON:** Sure.

**SPEAKER BAACK:** Senator Rod Johnson, would you respond please?

**SENATOR R. JOHNSON:** Yes.

**SENATOR MOORE:** Senator Johnson, given the present status of that fund and then the assumption that AM2056 will, indeed, become law, assuming that both Sutherland and Hastings were in full production, how long would the fund last?

**SENATOR R. JOHNSON:** I would assume based upon a figure, if you could hold just a second, I gave my figures to Senator Pirsch, Senator, assuming that, one, we have a production credit at 20 cents, assuming that the equity investment in the Sutherland plant is paid out, which is \$6.125 million, and assuming production actually doubles at the plant at Hastings, you are looking at the fund running out in the second quarter of 1995.

**SENATOR MOORE:** Okay, well, I mean Senator Wehrbein is right on track, unless something is done by then, and his solution or the answer, and I respect him for it, is to generate more money, and I agree that is something that needs to be done. And the second way to skin this cat is to do something on the other end of it, is how you are paying out the money, and as Senator Schmit mentioned, it is one of those things where if this, well, compared to LB 775, people would be screaming up and down because...I don't know but when you look at what this money is going towards now, it is a direct...talk about a cash transfer