

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: ...that is when it kicks in for one year.

SENATOR PIRSCH: It is not an automatic like it was in that period between '86 and '88?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: No, it would only...it would be a triggered mechanism when the fund goes below a certain \$5 million level, the checkoff is reinstated for one year, or one growing season.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Then it goes back off and stays off until the fund again goes below \$5 million.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you. I do understand it a lot better, and how much time do I have left, Senator Baack.

SPEAKER BAACK: Still two minutes.

SENATOR PIRSCH: In a sense of fairness, I will give that to Senator Schmit.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Mr. President and members, I appreciate now a little bit more what Senator Moore said. This is kind of like learning to swim after you jump in the Missouri River at high flood stage, and I was sort of speaking to the Johnson amendment that we had earlier, and I guess that I am concerned that there is some language that is missing from this amendment that I think was important insofar as the petroleum industry is concerned, and also some of the other aspects of the amendment. I would hope that we would remember that the bill started out to accomplish a certain goal.

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: It had several goals. This portion here today I don't think that any of this language, as I thumbed through it, maybe one part of it, was in the original bill, and it was not a simple bill at that time, but was a bill which encompassed many different aspects, and did have some corrective language in it, did provide for some relief for the petroleum industry so as