

current prohibition against disposing of regulated hazardous waste would not be affected. The Department of Environmental Control felt that AM3566, as it related to hazardous waste, could effectively allow hazardous waste to be landfilled until the ban became effective in 1996. The phrase household hazardous waste occurs on page 20, line 6, on page 27, line 10, and on page 28, line 10. AM3566, again that we adopted yesterday, inserts hazardous waste except household hazardous waste, which are exempt from regulation under the Nebraska Environmental Protection Act, or NEPA, and the floor amendment simply inserts the word unregulated before the word hazardous. The committee amendment, as amended by AM3566, and by the floor amendment that we're now discussing, would amend subsection (b), page 20, lines 6 and 7, to read as follows, unregulated hazardous wastes, except household hazardous wastes which are exempt from the regulation under the Environmental Protection Act; and Section 38, on page 27, would read, the council shall adopt and promulgate rules and regs which define yard waste, lead acid batteries, discarded household appliances, waste oil, and unregulated hazardous waste, except household hazardous wastes, which are exempt from the regulations under the Environmental Protection Act. Again, the intent is to clarify that we are not including household hazardous waste in the landfill bans to take effect in the future, but that we are not...our intent is not to allow unregulated hazardous waste to be allowed into the landfills.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Morrissey. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Speaker. I have a question for Senator Morrissey, if he would respond.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Morrissey, would you respond, please.

SENATOR WITHEM: And you're going through that laundry list of what is exempted, what is banned and all of that led me to be reminded that I had a question yesterday looking over this bill on the term yard waste. And I see that there are various times that the term yard waste is mentioned here in the bill, and it will be eventually banned from landfills. And I assume the major component of yard waste that would be banned would be grass clippings, which I certainly...I understand makes a big share of the volume, particularly up in the urban areas and have no problem with requiring composting or mulching mowers or that sort of thing. But I wonder what else might be included in