

solid waste is being discussed in your area, you need to be involved in that discussion and we intend on taking care of you. I think this is very important to the farmers of this state, very important for the drinking water of this state. And, again, it's something we clearly described as we opened on the bill that farmers will no longer be able to dump on their land except for as allowed in this language and the language that allows for them to do some of that is the council may adopt rules and reqs exempting from permit requirements under this section the use...under this section, one, the use of dirt, stone, brick or some inorganic compound for landfill, landscaping, excavation or grading purposes. That's more rubble storage. Placement of tires, posts or ferrous objects not contaminated with other waste for bank or blowout stabilization brought specifically for the farmers. I don't know if Senator Lamb brought that up but that amendment was brought for the farmers, and other such waste placement or depositing activities that are not found to be...pose a threat to the public health and welfare brought for the farmers. So they could dispose of certain items on their land. I think this is a very important portion of the bill. If you want the farmers to have access to a solid waste facility, which they want, if you want the farmers to be able to feel at ease in the future that there is not a black mark on their land when they want...may want to sell it in the future, that there is an environmental hazard and we all know environmental audits are now commonplace on land sales, again, I don't have the article with me, about three weeks ago in the papers, it's the new thing and it will continue to happen. It won't quit happening. So if you want farmers to have access to a facility and if you want farmers to get what they have clearly spoken to me that they wanted...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: ...and went across the state, across the entire state and heard clearly from those farmers, you will leave this section in. I think it's very important for the farmers and it's very important for the citizens as a whole and it's very important for the whole state. I would urge you to support this section of the committee amendments.

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

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I would like to speak in support of Senator Morrissey's position