

program, like most of you, when we're at the last couple of days we're approached by groups that want various bills passed. I was approached by those in support of FIFRA to try and attach it to LB 1257 or to the A bill. I chose not to do that, because I know that this issue is extremely important dealing with our landfills. I realize that by the attempt of putting a FIFRA bill into this bill it would have drawn an awful lot of no votes, which I will take the FIFRA bill up or down. I think that it is meritorious and is something that needs to be done at some point in this state's history. But at this particular time I chose not to do it out of respect for the work and the effort put forth by Senator Morrissey and the committee that he headed up this year, and by this Legislature for showing the wisdom to deal with this issue this session. The whole issue of landfills has been around for a long time, has been avoided by this Legislature for a long time, and we're finally dealing with it responsibly. I think the time is coming very soon, possibly next year, that we start dealing with the FIFRA issue responsibly, as well.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Rod Johnson. Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wanted to visit with the body a little bit about this question of the cap that's in this bill on the emissions standard, for Senator Bohlke especially. Senator Bohlke, you were commenting on the 4,000 ton cap and the reasons that it is there. The costs for setting up the equipment and monitoring a small or a large plant are virtually the same. So the regulatory...the fees or the monies necessary for the regulatory process, per installation, is nearly the same, therefore if you taxed merely on total tons of emission, then the larger generators would be the people that are doing the subsidizing, not vice versa. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Question.

SPEAKER BAACK: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? Do I see five hands on calling the question? Yes, I do. We will now vote on ceasing debate. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the motion to cease debate. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Have you all voted on the motion to cease debate on the Beutler amendment? Record,