

SENATOR SCHMIT: I don't think, Senator, that they demonstrated they could bring it in cheaper than we could produce it. It costs us more to produce it than we get for it but they couldn't bring it in cheaper than we could produce it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So now let's phrase it. They were able to bring it in...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...they were able to get wheat and bring it in cheaper than what they would pay for domestically produced wheat.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I think you are accurate in that assessment, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now do you think when that became clear to Cargill that they said, I'm loyal to the American farmer, therefore, I will not use this imported wheat, I will purchase it at a higher rate within America? I won't ask the question. No, they didn't do that. They used...they used foreign obtained wheat. What makes...I don't have enough time. Senator Schmit, that was all the questions I was going to ask you. I'm going to turn my light on because there are a few things I would like to get into the record.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Madam President and members of the Legislature, my name is not on the resolution but I told Senator Wehrbein I would have signed the resolution. I...I agree that there is much in the resolution that causes me some concern but I think it is important that this body reaffirm our support for probably the only new type of industry that has ever been generated in this state during my lifetime. And I think that it is significant that the ethanol industry in the United States started in this Legislature in 1971 when the '71 Legislature began the research into the industrial uses of agriproducts and LB 776 was passed and signed by Governor Exon. And I have said it on the floor, I want to say it again, that every Governor, every member of Congress and most legislators, and this includes Senator Chambers, have always supported those ideas that were relative to the development of new uses for agricultural products and Senator Chambers knows that I have had some