

teach school and a teacher would ask a student a question and the student would answer very admirably and very well, but the student in the back had the answer to the question and knew, and they wanted the teacher to recognize them. And I have been back here saying me, me, me, call on me, Mr. Teacher, I can answer that question. That's what I felt like. To make sure that we're clear on the questions you were asking, that was the amendment that I got adopted last week to the bill. And the way the bill was written is that there would have been \$6 million appropriated, \$3 million in each of the next two years, but they wanted to be able to recycle that forever, forever. And so what we did and the amendment that Senator Engel agreed with and what we got adopted is that we basically stopped the...sunsetting the program in the year, what, January 1, 2000. No more loans can go out at that point. However, there may be loans that are still going to be paid back and it may take until about 2015 for all loans to be paid back. But during that time all of those loans will be going to the General Fund and cannot be used in a revolving fashion. However, it was made clear that two years from now they may have an idea of how successful a program was and they may be back asking for another \$6 million or permission to keep revolving those funds around. But we at least have the sunset on at this point for a two-year portion. And that's how that got on there.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Madam President, members, relative to the Hall amendment, I rise in opposition to it. I think it's terminology that's fairly consistent with other programs like this. I particularly have a problem with the last part, sale of tangible personal property. A number of manufacturers that would qualify for this, in essence, sale, their tangible personal property, either through a direct sales or distribution system of some kind, and I'm...even though we talk about, in Sections (a) through (e), a number of other allowable businesses, I'm not certain that we bring back in that aspect of a manufacturer selling their product. That's my biggest concern. But I guess I just...I can't see a real need with the reason why we need to strike this language and would urge the body to reject the Hall amendment.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Maurstad. Senator Brashear, on the Hall amendment.