

Senator Schrock. There's a lot of volunteer organizations out there. I know of sportsmen's clubs that have worked to put habitat in some of these lakes. And I just have mixed emotions on this. So with that, I guess, if Senator Hillman would like the rest of my time, I'll turn that over to her. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Hillman, do you want some more time? You have about three and a half minutes this time.

SENATOR HILLMAN: I don't know that I'll need all of it, but I think probably one of the things to address the comments of Senator Schmitt is that any of the sport that you have, whether it's hunting or fishing, and at this point I'd kind of like to separate them, but if you look at fishing, the types of equipment that you'll need, and it depends upon the sportsman, I mean you can have, you can have the boat, you can have the inboard motor, the outboard motor, you can have the trolling electric motor, you can have depth finders, you can have fish finders, you can have a piece of equipment in your boat that will tell you what color of lure to use. And you can have boxes and boxes and boxes of spinners and red beads and swivels and whatever it is that you choose to use. You can have hip waders, chest waders, I mean there's all those kinds of things you can go to. One of the things that I think that's important about this particular bill, they're looking at improving bank fishing. With bank fishing, if you choose to you can go out and fish like you used to and you can cut off a willow switch, put on a string and a worm and a bobber and you could fish by purchasing that license. So I think it's like anything, it depends upon how much you want to go into it. It can be as expensive or not as expensive as you choose. But for the most part, with this bill for, I believe we're talking about \$16.50 a year, you can fish the year-round, you can improve some of those fishing spots, and I really don't feel that that's exorbitant or that's too much to ask people to do to look at having the privilege of fishing in some really good spots. And we have lots of water, lots of water in the state of Nebraska, and many, many fishing opportunities. And the fact that they're aging and they need a little help to improve the aquatic life that's in them is all that we're looking for. And I personally do not feel that this is too much to ask.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Hillman. Before we go on to the next speaker, Senator Gerald Matzke would like to announce