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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ...fundamental issue that we need to think about between the two different philosophies. I'm clearly on the side, I hope you understand that I'm clearly on the side of being accountable, and to coming back year after year and seeing whether that's something we really do want to spend money on and how much.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Continued discussion, Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members, I want to know...want you to know, Senator Wickersham, I'll...I'm willing to work with you on that issue, if you really want to set up a cash fund to do that. I don't like the rest of your amendment but I do understand the responsibility. And one of the reasons that I delayed this implementation for a year is for the committee, the Ag Committee, to look at this and see...work out the cash share, their share rentals, the cash rent, to see we could have something, and I'm open to that kind of thing. I'm assuming that if we would do this in this area for young farmers that you would also include LB 775 beneficiaries, the \$146 million that we're giving out there that's unaccounted for except for a quarterly or monthly report. Senator Wickersham, I'd ask you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Wehrbein, you and I have had this conversation many times. If we could do anything to make that program more accountable and if 25 members of this body would vote for it, it would be done in a flash, and it should be done. There are millions of dollars, millions of dollars being used by programs that we do not review, on an annual basis, that we do not have to send through the priority system. And, Senator, I'm sorry that this issue comes up in the context of your bill because I think you have good intentions and it may actually ultimately work. But to simply go down a road that I think has great fallacy in it, that is the continuing funding of programs through credits, I just...I'm sorry, Senator, I can't support that portion of the bill.