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do. I've got a lot of farmers in my district. I've talked to a lot of farmers in my district. Very few support this bill. That's just in my district. I can't speak for anybody else. But I do know that there's a lot of small stations out there that have two tanks. This is going to put a lot of pressure on them, a lot of expense if they go ahead and do what this bill is asking us to do or else they're going to be out of business. I would just ask you to support the bracket motion. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Connealy.

SENATOR CONNEALY: As a farmer and a long-time user and promoter of ethanol, I think the original bill is the way to go. I think that we should probably use the Minnesota model. But even though maybe I was negotiating with myself, I did believe that the mandate probably didn't have the support. So we did call for a real reduction in what the bill would do and a couple of amendments down the line, the Connealy amendment would change the bill dramatically. It would just require the offering, not require a mandate. So I do rise in opposition to the bracketing motion. I hope that we get down to that where we change the bill to where it's not a mandate anymore. And even though I do believe that the Minnesota model requiring the use of ethanol is a good public policy for a Midwestern state. I think it grabs the leadership back to a state that's led in ethanol fuels development through the years. And hopefully this small step that LB 1234 would be with the amendment would help us get to the next step where we'll have ethanol fuels and other renewable fuels in all the gasolines around the United States.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, Minnesota is not located on I-80 so that people traversing the country will drive through Minnesota. You're going to have tourists and Senator Connealy wants to mandate it outright, period, no unleaded regular to be sold. So people are driving through Nebraska and they can't get the gasoline they want, then don't drive through Nebraska. Go through Kansas. I got a letter from an individual who pointed out that Iowa defeated a bill like this in 1999. And when he talked to an aide in the governor's office, the governor, this aide had said it's a