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you going to believe, my friend, Senator Redfield, who talked to her mechanic, or the stacks of research that Senator Schrock has brought in showing that ethanol works fine in your vehicles? Who are you going to believe? I mean you've got it right here where manufacturers have recommended, have no problem with ethanol, power equipment, motorcycle manufacturers, Harley-Davidson is even here, snow mobile manufacturers, boats and personal watercraft. You know, to talk about ethanol fuels whether they make an engine running hot, when I was in college some buddies of mine and I used to go out boating at a lake just out west of town here. I'm trying to think of the name of it. I think it was Conestoga is out just west of town. And my friend, Rick Roberts (phonetic), had this junky boat. I mean it was a pile of junk but it had this big beautiful Mercury engine on the back of it, a 110 engine. And I'm about 220 pounds, I was a little lighter than that back then before the chicken dinner circuit got to me, and Rick was a pretty big guy and we used to barefoot behind this boat which means you had to have it all the...you had to have it absolutely the throttle all the way down. You had to go 50 miles an hour to pull a 200-pound guy barefooted. I mean we beat this boat into submission. We'd run it out of gas lots of days and we had this thing full throttle for hours on end as much gas as we could fill up with the two tanks we had, never had any problem. Rick is a kid from Elkhorn. We always used ethanol for the same reason, never had any problem running that Mercury engine on full throttle beating it the way only college kids can beat it, never had any problem with ethanol. So I ask you, who are you going to believe? Are you going to believe the stacks of research here? And I see that Senator Schrock put something in from...an excerpt from "Changes in Gasoline 3, the Auto Technicians Gasoline Quality Guide"...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR BRUNING: ...that says ethanol works fine. Who are you going to believe? Are you going to believe the anecdotal evidence from a mechanic who says ethanol doesn't work without a study or are you going to believe the studies? With that, I'd urge you to oppose the bracket motion. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Connealy.