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is 87 octane and when you add the ethanol it raises it to the 89, which is where ethanol mixtures are now, 89 octane.

SENATOR CONNEALY: In Nebraska, not everywhere.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: In Nebraska.

SENATOR CONNEALY: Not everywhere, but in Nebraska.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, talking just about Nebraska. So if the suboctane 85 is not available, then the lowest grade would be unleaded regular at 87 octane. Is that true, in Nebraska?

SENATOR CONNEALY: I...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If the 85 octane is not available for ethanol enhancement, the lowest grade would be unleaded regular at 87 octane. Isn't that true?

SENATOR CONNEALY: If you put ethanol with it, 87, it would be 89.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, no, leave...talking about the way it is right now, unleaded regular is 87 octane.

SENATOR CONNEALY: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If the 85 octane is not available for ethanol enhancement up to 87 octane, the lowest grade, based on octane, would be unleaded regular. Isn't that true?

SENATOR CONNEALY: I...I don't accept the premise that it's not going to be available. It will be available.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I'm...thank you. I won't ask you questions because you don't want to answer. Members of the Legislature, here's what we're looking at. The way the bill is now, it virtually outlaws unleaded. Unleaded right now, without ethanol, is 87 octane. This bill requires the lowest grade of fuel...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.