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Cash Fund is in decline and will require a fee increase in the near future. By combining the funds, we can display...we can delay and perhaps avoid the need for any increases in the fertilizer program for the foreseeable future. I would move for the advancement of LB 157. We do have committee amendments, too.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kremer. (Visitors introduced.) There are committee amendments, as stated. Chairman Kremer of the Ag Committee, you're recognized to open on those amendments to LB 157. (AM0165, Legislative Journal page 454.)

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Mr. President. The committee amendment simply states a pharmacy is defined in section 71-425. If the pharmacy only sells...wrong one? Okay. Okay. Wrong one. The amendment removes any technical conflict with a physical entry for the purpose of a pesticide application authorized pursuant to the noxious weed control program. The noxious weed control program already has, within its statutes, when you can enter land, and the procedures that have to be followed to do that. So it...apart from that, it does not affect the noxious weed program in any way. It reinstates date references to cite federal statutes and the Code of Federal Regulations as...and cites...in the date specific. It removes the new text on page 14, line 14 of the introduced bill that would incorrectly make a reference to federal Environmental Protection Act. It should have been state Environmental Protection Act. It amends the definition of a pest so that it is certain that the term excludes humans. In the original definition it had humans in the definition of pests. Some people thought maybe that was correct. But then it's been removed. The committee amendments clarify that the definition of a noncommercial applicator be required...to require that employee or agent of the municipality applying outdoor vector control pesticides who are not commercial applicators are included in the definition of a noncommercial applicator, to be consistent with the amendment. I just might state that the...those that are applying these pesticides are required to have a certificate that trains them in applications of the pests, for pest control, to make it as safe as possible. With