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"final" in that determination section is being removed. The word "final," of course, stays where it talks about issuing a final permit, because that comes after the conditions have been satisfied, and I think that makes eminent sense, and could avoid some of the confusion. And I also think it takes away some of the concerns of some of the local zoning administrators. And Senator McDonald may be able to speak to that as well. But that is what I am hearing, at least. Secondly, we talked about, in...at length on the...in the debate, and Senator Chambers alludes to the fifth day of May on the substantial change issue, about what that meant. If they made a determination that the permit was going to be issued, if these conditions were satisfied, they would be obligated to issue that permit, unless there was a substantial change that occurred in between the time of the original application and the circumstances when the permit was going to be issued. And I was asked about what "substantial change" meant. The language in AM1969 says; "For purposes of this section, substantial change shall include any significant alteration in the original application including a significant change in the design or location of buildings or facilities, in waste disposal methods or facilities, or in capacity." So I think we have clarified the fact that we're talking about something changing that would be significant, and putting some clarity into that section. So I support, of course, the amendment. It's my understanding that this will help Senator McDonald in terms of...and I appreciate her withdrawing the amendment, since she had filed. And hopefully we can get on with this and be done with it. So with that, I would the rest of my time to Senator McDonald, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator McDonald.

SENATOR McDONALD: Mr. President and members of the body, I support Senator Bromm's amendment. And I want to thank him for working with me to develop this compromise. And as you well know, many of my constituents had various concerns about LB 754. Some of our concerns were addressed by the changes the Agriculture Committee made after the hearing. But other...and other concerns were addressed by Senator Chambers and Senator Beutler's amendments. This amendment removes "final" from final determination. Since it's not a final determination, but a list