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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: For the low-level waste issue?

SENATOR VRTISKA: Low-level waste, is that actually critical?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well,...

SENATOR VRTISKA: I mean I just want your perspective.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...we've had meetings with attorneys and so forth that are involved in this. It's the committee's recommendation that we acknowledge that that's going to be. There is a difficulty by waiting, in our mind. Even if you make an assumption, which is not the case, I'm in...I've been badly misaligned I think in terms of my acceptance of this, but if you accept that we have to do something, even starting October 1, let's say with a sales tax, as an example, that money doesn't come in very fast, and so even it'll be a year from now before...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...we'd have significant money coming from that. If we were to lose the lawsuit, like...as I said, it's better than a 50-50 chance, that could be due as early as November 1. It doesn't give us much time to raise money by waiting, even doing it immediately, let alone...now I admit there is negotiations. Perhaps there is other things going on. We know there is negotiations have been ongoing for settlement. I don't know what's beyond that, but the point really is by waiting we run the higher risk of not only going from 1.55 percent, we could go up to something less...up to 10. And the dilemma is we're fighting, I wanted to make the point, we're fighting for 2, 3, 4, 5 hundred thousand dollars place after place after place. I don't take an interest bill of \$2 million a year lightly at 1.55, \$6,750 a day, let alone 10 percent. And you can have your time back.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. I appreciate...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.