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understand it's certainly not comfortable. The only comfort in it, perhaps, is that we are continuing something that is already in place, rather than having to make a new leap, if you will. But again, I hope you'll consider that, that this is something that our fiscal situation demands that we do. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes and Senator Stuhr. Now it's your turn, Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, my strong inclination is to support the bill with the committee amendment. I wanted to ask Senator Brashear one thing, though, just...and this may be unfair. You may have not had an opportunity to think about it, Senator. But you're popping a relatively new proposal on us, in terms of this bond issue. If we had no LB 1093, of course, you would have to deal with a \$1.00 levy and a bigger, a much bigger gap and problem. I'm assuming that what you're thinking of isn't scaled to something that would involve a \$1.00 levy limit. Would that be correct?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you respond, Senator Brashear?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Or maybe another way to put it, are you supporting the bill and the committee amendment and thinking about a solution with your bond issue that is scaled to the \$100 million problem? Or could it be scaled to a larger problem? What did you have in mind?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Senator Beutler, you've gone right to the point. I...my inclination now is to support the Education Committee amendment. I'm a member of the Education Committee, and I voted for this amendment out of committee. I would support this at this time, and I would move the bill over to Select File. But as I did this morning, I mean, I think I've taken enough of everyone's time to indicate that I am preparing amendments which would be a \$270 million bond issue, and that is in fact \$160 million...in round numbers, \$160 million in the judgment fund for the low-level nuclear waste, and \$100 million, \$110 million of additional revenue, makes the \$270 million. And I gave that rationale this morning.