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discussion of an alternative means to fund this bill. If I don't then I will have to start trying to dismantle it line by line, if necessary. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Louden, on the Landis amendment to the committee amendment.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I'm somewhat concerned about some of the funding for these ethanol plants. I think it's something that it generated for corn growers, generated for corn, and I would think that the corn and sorghum crops are the ones that they're making the ethanol out of should be the place that the funding comes from. Would Senator Baker answer a question for me, please.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker. Are you available, Senator Baker? Senator Baker, a question from Senator Louden, if you would, please.

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Yeah, Senator Baker. How much...is there a...there's a...some of the taxes will be kept back from the off-road vehicle tax. Is there...how much of that will be deducted for ethanol?

SENATOR BAKER: The bill changes it from 2.25 cents right now to 3.5, so there'd be an additional 1.25 cents retained by the state that would be transferred to the EPIC Fund on an annual basis that amounts to I think about \$300,000.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Yeah, and thank you. The reason I'm concerned about this is because usually out in my district there's still a lot of these gas tractors that are used for haying and that's primarily where that tax refund gas is used is in these farm tractors and ranch tractors that are used through the summertime. In your heavier farming countries, most all of them are diesel or like that, and your taxes isn't paid on the diesel fuel, on your dyed diesel fuel, but your gasoline it is, so we have to get that back. So this would be people in the ranch