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not willing to pay. Yes, ethanol is a good thing, and I live in a rural community, but no, thank you, I will not contribute anything to ethanol. I will not pay a tax on by-product feeds, and if I feed my corn to my cattle, I will not pay a checkoff on that corn. There's state support, obviously. Currently we have 18 cents a gallon. But in addition there's federal support. The way that works is that if you're a gas station operator in Nebraska, when you submit your federal tax, federal gasoline tax, you get to take off 5.3 cents per gallon if it's an ethanol gallon versus a nonethanol gallon. So there are a number of ways this program is subsidized. In my estimation, gas tax is the wrong way. We've used gas tax as a user fee for the maintenance and construction of infrastructure for our highway system. I think that's the way it ought to be used. I suppose by some stretch you can argue that ethanol fits into that. I don't happen to see it that way. I do think that for me the critical point is...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR RAIKES: ...the program is too rich and we need to put an end to it as quickly as possible. We thought we had put an end to it as of June 30, 2004, now it looks like we won't. And there's no surprise that we've got folks coming from...to us to say, well, gosh, extend this a little bit more. It's a rich program. They stand to do very well if they're allowed to participate. I think this is the point at which we say, no, we're going to stop right here. We're going to go to this line and that's it. The critical thing is that we end this program now. If we want to do ethanol in the future, okay, let's do it, but hopefully we've learned by this, we devise a different program and one that is not too rich so that we end up, pardon the phrase, getting suckered, I think, by some...some very able businessmen. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Further discussion on the motion by Senator Chambers, FA1669. Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President, members of the body, Senator Baker earlier said that the size of the plant normally is around