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don't have the funding out there, Senator Chambers, to agree to more subsidies. I'm sure they'd like to access extra incentives, but I don't see the state agreeing to it until we can fund them.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But even those with existing contracts, when they've terminated and new ones are to be let.

SENATOR BAKER: Well, the...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If this were changed, it would be beneficial to those people, wouldn't it?

SENATOR BAKER: Well, the people that are out there trying to beat the deadline have written, signed contracts with the Department of Revenue. I don't...what would happen is I think you'd see some additional contracts applied for. You know, they'd come in and apply for this increased subsidy, is what they do. They might just simply walk away from their old contract and sign a new one under a new name. I think that might be a possibility.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: How long are those contracts good for?

SENATOR BAKER: I don't think there's...it's an 8...or, 96-month program. I don't think there's a limit. They have to earn those credits by producing ethanol, and at the end of eight years, the contract is fulfilled.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Will the program end at that point, or will the program continue on?

SENATOR BAKER: No, it ends at that point.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So...

SENATOR BAKER: And they have to qualify by June 30 of this year.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So nobody could take advantage...we could strike this from the statute right now, and it would not benefit