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contract, folks, you have to behave in good faith. And by doing nothing here, ... I think the printout might be a little generous, in that we won't be broke in the EPIC fund till end of August next year. But you know, if it's... regardless, August or September, we don't have time to get things turned around. And the longer we wait to get this checkoff in place, or the fuel tax, the higher it's going to be, because these... the clocks are ticking on these four plants out there, and they're earning those credits monthly. And if we start trying to fund it next year instead of now, the rate is going to be higher. That's just... that's a fact, to try and play catch-up. We could be looking at a... you know, a .5 cent fuel tax, a penny and a quarter grain tax. I don't know what it would be. But it would certainly be higher. That's a given. So I think the prudent thing to do is to go ahead and get LB 1065 moved over to Select File as is. And I... Senator Chambers, I was listening when you said I'm inflexible. But that was part of the agreement, the rationale to moving this proposal, was, nobody was in love with it, we all agreed there were parts of it we didn't like. I personally don't like the increase on the fuel tax. But I agreed to it, and that's what we'll do. And the Corn Growers agreed to .75 cent. Okay, we'll do that, and so on. And that's how we arrived at LB 1065. And to be honest with you, I just am not going to change my position. If I get run over by a train, so be it, but I just am not going to back up. So that's the issue, is how we resolve the disagreement here, whether it would go to a cloture motion, Senator Chambers. I don't look forward to doing that any more than you do. But that's an option. And because it's special ordered by the Speaker, ... I don't think there's ever been any bill before this one special ordered by the Speaker. I remember we gave the Speaker that option a couple two, three years ago, on budget issues, well, anything he chose. So we're on uncharted water here, and I'm not sure exactly how we'd behave if things came down to a cloture motion, suspension of rules, rearranging amendments, and so on. I think that would be an interesting situation. I don't want to go there. But I do not have any amendments up my sleeve. I'm going to stick with the bill as drafted LB 1065. The committee amendments, I think even Senator Chambers agrees those are needed. Clarifies qualification standards and procedures and so on. I think that's an important part of the bill. And that's