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what's going to happen with term limits, what may happen down the road there, but nothing I would make a loan on. As a former director of a bank, I'd take a pretty long hard look and then say no, I think. But this plan leaves us \$9.45 million short of our goal of funding the four plants that are out there. I have to oppose it. I just think there's too many connections, the way the bill is put together, that make good common sense. We'll go ahead and see what the Wehrbein amendment does here as far as votes, and we'll go from there. And I'm with Senator Landis. Eventually we're going to go to cloture here. We have other things to do and this is a vote that I think that's our responsibility to fund these four plants out there. We have contracts. It's not an option to do nothing. If we do nothing, I can guarantee you we're going to be in court before we can right a wrong here, and I just think that's irresponsible legislating. We can't...can't allow that to happen. I'm not going to be a part of it. So I find it very difficult in some instances to, like this, to increase a fuel tax. I'm a big defender of the Highway Trust Fund, but there is a connection here. Whether we take it out of the LUST Fund, as Senator Wehrbein's bill suggests, or simply just put a tax on it, I think that's basically the same source of funding. So I don't think there's a distinction there to be made. And, as I said, it leaves us \$9.45 million short, with the spreadsheet that I have in front of me, and I don't want to leave this problem for another Legislature. We're going to, obviously, have plenty of budget problems next session without adding to this, and Lord only knows what's going to happen when term limits kicks in and none of us that are on the floor now are here to address this. So I rise in opposition to Senator Wehrbein's amendment. I'm not trying to bludgeon the messenger. He's worked on this and I appreciate that, but it's something I can't support. Just...we've got to stick with the bill. It solves a problem long-term. The four plants are funded. We go on about our business. So with that, I would return any time I have left to the Chair. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of the Wehrbein amendment, Senator Smith, followed by Senator Engel.