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self-supporting. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Further discussion? Senator Preister, followed by Senator Stuthman.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Honorable President, friends all. Senator Engel, if I could have a discussion with you, I understand the concept of using methane as a fuel and I think it's being used very well by OPPD in their...I guess their diesel-type generators that use methane fuel to generate electricity in Omaha from the Douglas County Landfill. What we currently have is a ban on putting any yard waste in our existing landfills as of, I believe, 1992, when we did a comprehensive change. We set up a system of closing down existing landfills that didn't have liners, that weren't contained, that were leaching into the ground water. One of the provisions at that time in 1992, just prior to us coming into the Legislature, was to keep all of the yard waste out of the landfill. One of the reasons for doing that was so that we didn't fill the landfills as quickly, because during the summer months a large percentage of waste comes from yard waste--grass clippings, things that could be put right back on the yards or never removed from the yards. My question initially to you, Senator, is how much sooner, if this one landfill at least decides to put yard waste in their landfill, is that landfill going to be filled and then they're going to have to move, not just across the street from the ethanol plant, but maybe miles away where it's not going to be convenient? How much faster is the landfill going to fill, become no longer able to accept more waste, and then essentially defeat what you're trying to accomplish here, if you know that answer?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Engel, would you respond?

SENATOR ENGEL: I don't know the exact answer, but I will tell you it will fill faster because you're putting more in. In this particular case, at the Gill Landfill, they're kind of the model for the whole state as far as when they started cleaning up these landfill sites, and he has approximately 500 to 600 acres beyond his landfill right surrounding it. So as far as expansion, it would go many, many, many, many years, and I...but