

that money to be used for the actual regulation of the pesticides and the monitoring of those pesticides. One of the other things that was brought up on the floor was I think Senator Beutler talked about that the only reason that the Department of Ag was the lead agency was purely for political reason. One of the handouts that I handed out to you will show you that most states use the Department of Agriculture to run this program. I think about 45 of the states use the Department of Agriculture to run this program. So this is not something that's unusual at all for Nebraska to do. Most of our states do...all of our surrounding states do use the Department of Agriculture and every Midwestern state does, I think, except for Indiana, and Purdue University does it in Indiana, so that's a very unique situation there. But all of the other Midwestern states, the Department of Agriculture is in charge of their FIFRA program. With that, I would be happy to answer any questions, if there are any, on the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Speaker Baack. Does...Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President, and members of the body, I wonder if Speaker Baack would respond to a question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Speaker Baack.

SPEAKER BAACK: Yes.

SENATOR DIERKS: I didn't catch it if you said it, Dennis. Is there a...what's the amount of dollars that will be reduced from the Cash Fund by removing household pesticides from your bill?

SPEAKER BAACK: I don't have that right now, Senator Dierks, but I will get that for you, okay.

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes.

SPEAKER BAACK: I will find out and I will answer that question.

SENATOR DIERKS: Okay. I have no problem with the amendment, I think it's probably a wise decision. So I will support it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Elmer.