

the business of protecting the environment and the Department of Health which is in the end in the business of protecting human beings. I do not agree with Senator Baack, and I could be wrong, but I strongly do not agree with him that there is anything in the statutes or in the regulations that requires,...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...for purposes of approval of the state plan, the approval of a generic ground water management plan. It does require the other plan, but not this one.

SENATOR ASHFORD: All right, and one last question, is there a mechanism in your amendment that would provide or a mechanism for bringing these three various agencies, the three agencies together to work together on this, on the pesticide portion of it?

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, in the original bill they did not provide such a mechanism and so I assumed they had something in mind and I wasn't so concerned about it, so I did not provide for a mechanism.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Ashford and Beutler. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Madam President, members of the body, I'd like to comment again, number one that I thought the remarks by both Senator Baack and Senator Bromm were quite helpful in having me understand the involvement of the other agencies that are already there. That was helpful. And number two, I would like to express a concern, some members of the body, as opposed to talking about the specifics of the bill, were talking about the fact that why pick on this bill, the bill has had a public hearing, lots of different groups have come together and are supportive of it and that is entirely the wrong reason for voting against any particular amendment or for the bill. We are not elected to represent organizations, special interest groups, we are elected to represent our constituents and we ought not to ever have sense that because a group of individuals, whether those be the education interest or the public power interest or the ag community or any group simply because they have agreed we as a body should feel totally reluctant to get involved in that