

anyone wants to see them, \$100 for a pesticide to be marketed within the State of Nebraska is a very reasonable fee. And I...and that's...it's just a minimal fee is what it is, it's a registration fee. So I would be willing to look at this area on down the line. But I would rather, rather not adopt this amendment at this point in time. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Senator Hohenstein.

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: Madam President, members of the body, I, too, understand and support, generally, the concept that Senator Beutler is trying to impose here. I, however, think there is a better way to do this. Since there...since there are some things that are going to have to be done with respect to this bill in the future, and since we are requiring rules and regulations, I would support an amendment that required the rules and regulations to develop this sort of a fee structure and take into consideration the concerns Speaker Baack has about how you administer this, and how you'd gather the information so that you can implement it. If this is what you want to do, and everyone is saying we need to do this, but let's wait a year, I think the rules and regulations are such that if, in fact, you want to do this, let's put a provision that requires this sort of thing in the rules and regulations, and let's insist that the rules and regulations be developed so that there can be a fee structure that allows for some consideration of fairness regarding the amount of pesticides sold in the State of Nebraska, and then develop a method for implementing it so that we could be clear how it will be implemented and whether the information can be properly obtained after consultation in the rules and regulations process with the industry to ensure that what you're doing is...is something that can, in fact, be done, can be managed and handled. I would support putting this sort of requirement as a rule and regulation. But I don't support it in the bill itself.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hohenstein. Does anyone else wish to speak to the amendment? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Beutler?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, there's nothing wrong with the structure of the amendment. It can be done, it is being done in Iowa. It's a tax on the applicant, they're the manufacturer. They indicate that they can tell me how much is distributed in the State of Nebraska.