

SENATOR HIGGINS: I'm not the state, Senator. But if you want, I'll take the \$45.00 and deliver it to the Treasurer. Thank you, Senator Haberman.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Do you want the \$45.00?

SENATOR LABEDZ: No, I just wanted to know, and Senator Haberman is so good in asking why there aren't A bills. I was going to ask him why there wasn't an A bill on this bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Would you respond?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Why, yes, Mr. President. The fiscal analyst did not deem it necessary to have one.

SENATOR LABEDZ: This morning you were on the fiscal analyst because he didn't have one.

SENATOR HABERMAN: That was this morning, this is this afternoon.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Oh, okay, I forgot, you went to lunch. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President, on a serious note, this is a very timely and I think a very important bill to agriculture and I think Senator Haberman has brought the bill to us at the correct time. As I highlighted before, there have been situations in the state where farmers have lost great sums of money. The Minden case is an example where we saw several million dollars lost and I think it's important that we recognize that. I know it is easy to be somewhat lighthearted here on the floor in the middle of the afternoon, but this is a bill I think that Senator Haberman and Eric Rasmussen from the Public Service Commission have worked hard to put together for us. It sets up some procedures I think that will rectify some of the situations that have now occurred in this state in the past. We hope to correct those inequities, make sure that farmers are not