

do. Senator Haberman had hearings across the state, which I attended with him. And I got a different perspective of what is going on out there. I found that this really will protect us better than any other way that we are doing it because you put less amount on, you have less percolation into the soil because you are not putting in any more than the plants use as when you are using nitrate. So this was an answer to the problem. Now the question was what are we going to do to protect it from going back into the well? That is what we've been debating, and debating for the last year. I think finally we've come up to something that will work. I know that Senator Eret has some things that he feels concerned about. But I also feel that much of the ground equipment can do more harm than with the pivot system. Now when we didn't get the bill advanced last year, because of time problems, I asked the natural resource districts to send out a news letter to their people that if they were going to put the fertilizer on with their machines, or put pesticides on that they be sure that they have the proper equipment, knowing that this was going to happen. Many of our people out there are doing this. They are not paying a permit fee or nothing. But they are doing it because they are concerned about what is happening. During the course of the conversations that I've had with many people, and the idea of posting came up. There was an individual in the southern part of the state who walked through his field, after he put some insecticide on. That individual is not farming today because of health reasons, so it is dangerous and we want our citizens to know this. The idea of posting is very, very important, especially when you are putting poisons on. Other than that, it is not necessary to post. When you are putting nitrate on it isn't going to hurt anybody, or a lot of herbicides aren't going to hurt anybody. It might burn a little, but that is about it. But when you put pesticides on it is dangerous. It is being done today. I also know of a co-op who has the equipment to put out on the farm where they have a system.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR SIECK: He refused to use the system where they did not have the proper equipment. Now I respect that individual. That is going to continue. Actually in the bill it says that if you want to get a special permit for a special problem it will cost you \$100 to get it, and that will mean that you will have to hire someone to come in and