

difficulty with the cities to accept this. Now I have no difficulty of taking this completely out of the bill because I feel the cities now have that authority. And I'm sure that the street department, the municipal department that has to take care of the disposal systems are going to complain, and they'll have to take care of it. So it is actually setting up two sets of government over one entity, and to me that is the real problem. I know that Senator Schmit's amendment I think is to increase the fee up to 90 percent for cost share. I have no problem with that. Sure, I would like to have 90 percent of the cost. But the procedure in the past has been 75 percent, has been 75 percent through the years. And right at the present time I'd be tickled to death to get 50 percent just to get some of that work done. The cost has went up considerable, and the government is cutting back on funds. So if some of us want to get that work done, I'm sure that we'll agree to do it for 50 percent just to get some help. But if they want to put 90 percent into it and have the state cover it, that is fine, I mean I have no objection to that. But I feel that we can get the job done, even though it is real expensive in some areas. But I feel most of these things will be done without any mechanical means. Some of us will just have to change our farming practice, maybe minimum till, maybe farm on the contour. There are many things that we can do to cut down on erosion. These are just simply management practices, and this can be done. I'm sure that a lot of this will happen in this way, which is excellent in my opinion. At this time we don't want to increase a lot of cost to the farmer, and I'm sure most of the farmers don't want to destroy their soil because that is the basic. Once we lose that 12 inches of topsoil, it gets very, very expensive to farm that land. We have to add the ingredients and all this, and it hurts, and it is costing us.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR SIECK: So I sure would like to have this bill advanced today. I agreed with Senator Hannibal that we would take a look at it on Select File, we would consider the idea that he has, we'll work with him in trying to get this resolved. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. Senator Schmit, we are back to your amendment now. Mr. Clerk.