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it, but I can understand if he is not excited about this legislation, and I am sure there are going to be those who would like...who are going to vote against this bill. I would hope they would not and I hope they realize some of the important issues that are here before us today. But if... for those very sincere people who would like to kill this bill, I would hope that you would offer a kill motion and not love it to death, or try to attach amendments that clearly are not workable, not necessary, or unreasonable, which are just about what you would...I would categorize Senator Haberman's amendment as. One of the concerns I have is that we all spend a great deal of time offering all these amendments and that we will not have a chance to adequately debate the real issues relating to the ban on studded snow tires. With that I urge you to reject the Haberman amendment realizing that equipment, farm equipment, is already exempted, and that most other farm vehicles are four-wheel drives and do not need that, and there is going to be a tremendous problem if we continue this kind of helpful and friendly amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Fitzgerald, do you wish to speak to this amendment? Do you want to speak...

SENATOR FITZGERALD: No, the main bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Reutzel, do you wish to speak to the amendment? Senator Vickers, do you wish to speak to the amendment?

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes, I do, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are on Haberman amendment number two.

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes, I would like to ask Senator Haberman a question, if he would respond, please. Senator Haberman, I certainly agree that farm vehicles have to travel on some icy roads, but as Senator Newell said most, or at the least the ones I have got, are four-wheel drive. I do have studded tires, however, and I have them on a vehicle that would not exactly qualify under the amendment that you have got and that is on my car, and I am sure that many of the other people in rural Nebraska have it on their car so they can get to town and various things. Would that...would your amendment handle that problem?

SENATOR HABERMAN: The amendment says that, while carrying out farming and ranching operations. Now what...make your point a little more clear.

SENATOR VICKERS: Would you call it farming and ranching