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the groundwater. There's no way of getting around, as is happening now in Dakota City, hydrogen sulfide. You can smell that. Fecal hog...or hog fecal matter you can smell. The things that we can control we should control, and we can, as legislators, control the cover charge to come into this club.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR TYSON: We can dictate the price of admission, as was done in any industrial area for an industrial process. And this is not a...this is not an agricultural process. This is an industrial process. It's a chemical process by which we convert corn into protein, concentrated protein. I think we have to look to the root causes, and the root causes are protecting the environment. The environment is smell and water and ground. And I think that there are some bills that are going to be considered here that do the job better than 1152. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. I had my light on earlier, but I shut it off, and I thought, well, doggone it, I better, I better get something said here. You know, it seems to me that there are...we have the opportunity here to have two people on a county board set zoning restrictions or interim zoning restrictions for a whole county, two people. And if those two people won the election by 51 percent, that means there 49 percent of the people in that district don't think they would...were going to do a good job. So be that though, and...but those two people could, they could restrict things within a county that have the future of feedlots and hog confinements right in the palm of their hands. So be that. Let's forget about that. But then, then you talk about...let's talk about where these animals are processed. That leads us to...to packing houses. Then that gets my attention. As you know, I live in a community that has a...an extensive hog slaughtering and processing operation at Fremont, which employs nearly 1,200 people or more. In fact, in 1995, the Hormel Foods completed a multimillion dollar 33 percent expansion of this facility adding valuable jobs and stimulating to a great effect the economy of the city of Fremont and the