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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, if I make an offer to Senator Dierks, we're...I'm offering to either buy or sell something to him and I make it clear that this offer is not negotiable, all that he can do is accept the offer or reject it. He cannot modify it and say, well, if you'll do this or that then I accept it. That is not an acceptance of my offer. His would be a counteroffer, and if he put the same limitations on his offer that I put on mine we would just have counteroffers passing back and forth between us until one agreed to accept the offer of the other as that offer was presented. If...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...Senator Beutler's amendment is adopted, it is not a binding agreement really that would allow either state to plan anything based on language of this kind. If Missouri were to offer something like this to Nebraska, I don't believe Nebraska would accept it and, as a state, Nebraska ought not accept it. And I doubt that Missouri would accept this.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The...Senator Schellpeper announces that the following guests are here under the north balcony: the Nebraska Pork Producer officers, Phil Hardenburger, president from Crete; Stan Rosendahl, vice president from Creston; and Mary Ann (phonetic) Keller, second vice president from Monroe. They are...and also in the north balcony are the Nebraska Pork Producers in Lincoln for the Nebraska Pork Producers' quarterly meeting. Will you all stand to be recognized, please. Welcome to the Nebraska Legislature. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Madam Speaker, members, I rise to strongly oppose this amendment. All it really says is a deal is not a deal is not a deal is not a deal once I make it. Doesn't make any sense to me. I'm sitting here thinking, do...there's millions of dollars worth of things goes on every day and you make a deal, your word's your bond and you do it. Here it says, by the way, if I happen to change my mind next year I'm going to withdraw. What good's a compact? I don't even want the bill with this in it. Makes no difference. I mean it makes...has no...there's no understanding. I don't...we're trying to solve