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I guess that was my main question.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, the main thing, I think, Senator Jones, is that the Cattlemen came to the committee with some problems, we've addressed those problems, as I understand it, now they're okay with the bill as we add the committee amendments. So I think they represent the vast majority...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR DIERKS: ...of your constituents, and that should satisfy them, I think.

SENATOR JONES: Okay. Thank you.

SENATOR DIERKS: You bet.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Jones. On the Dierks amendment, Senator Wehrbein. On the Dierks amendment, Senator Janasen. Senator Janssen, on the Dierks amendment.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature. Senator Dierks, you know, I'm concerned about what's going to happen to the rendering plants throughout the state. They played such a vital part in our society for so many years. Now, is it your opinion that you are...that these will not stay around, with the things that we're setting up? I'm kind of concerned about the fact that...composting is great. I understand that. And I know what it does and how beneficial it can be to feeders, just the old hog farmer too. If you can compost these carcasses up to 600 pounds, that's great. What is the rendering...what are the rendering people saying about this? Do they feel as though they're going to be out of existence within a decade or two?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Dierks?

SENATOR DIERKS: You know, I'm sure they feel threatened, Senator Janssen. Business has really taken a downturn for them. And it's all been due to that chronic wasting...or, the BSE, the prion that causes wasting disease, the brain damage. And I'm