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it is designed to do. I cannot vote for the bill because down the road the people in that area would say I made a mistake.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: A question of Senator Lamb, please.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lamb, would you respond.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, sir.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Lamb, did you indicate to a Chris Vinton that if the surface water part of the bill was removed that you would be inclined to support the bill?

SENATOR LAMB: I'm not sure what I did and I don't know if I have to answer that question.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well it is kind of important to me because I asked...(interruption.)

SENATOR LAMB: I've not said I'd support the bill under any circumstances.

SENATOR HABERMAN: You say you cannot?

SENATOR LAMB: I said I did not say that I would support the bill to anybody.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well then maybe I misunderstood but I had understood that if surface water...

SENATOR LAMB: I'll say this, Senator Haberman, the part of the bill that was removed is even more dangerous than what is left in the bill if that will be of any help to you.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Alright, thank you, Senator Lamb. I can't get out of my mind the meetings that they've had up in these counties and the letters that I have received from these people that this is what they want. I understand that thirty ranchers showed up at one meeting and they voted 27 to 3 that this is what they wanted. There was a lady that talked to me in my office for over two hours last night. Her name was Chris Vinton and she told me about the people and I have letters here from my new district, Grant County, that want this bill. And she said basically the same thing that I am saying to you, let us be the judge, let us set these regulations on ourselves and then if they don't work we can change them. And coming from a control area we have just that. We elect the people to the NRD, they come up with the rules and