

than some people would like probably because they are not properly neutered, as they should be. But, nevertheless, it happens. I know in some instances at least there has been some farmers that when that overpopulation occurs, if taking that into their own hands, either with a gun, or probably...I guess with a gun, would you be able to take care of your own overpopulation problems yet on your farm with your pets, or would you have to be...to satisfy the intent of this law would you have to take all those animals to the vet?

SENATOR DIERKS: If you look at the first section of the bill, with the definition Section 5 says, humane killing shall mean the destruction of an animal by a method which causes the animal a minimum of pain and suffering, has no reference to veterinarians.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay.

SENATOR DIERKS: As far as I'm concerned that would cover that particular (interrupted.)

SENATOR MOORE: So as long as...obviously, you know, the...I won't go into details of other ways people deal with that. But as long as you...as long as someone did it, like I said, with a gun and it was instantaneous, you wouldn't have to take it to the vet to take care of that problem.

SENATOR DIERKS: I wouldn't think so.

SENATOR MOORE: You think it would come under the...by section...subjection (5) of Section 1, that would be dealt with.

SENATOR DIERKS: That's what I think.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay, that's the only questions I have and I can support the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, I'm going to be asking Senator Dierks some questions. Would you yield, please?

SENATOR DIERKS: Absolutely.