

not vote for this bill. I hope you will vote for the bill.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schmit. I'll now recognize Senator Dierks followed by Senator Beutler. Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President. I'd like to ask Senator Schmit a question and maybe Senator Rogers should stand by in case he has to answer, several questions as a matter of fact. Concerning farm and ranch property, Senator Schmit, does your bill have any effect on people who would come and try to obstruct hunters or fishermen or trappers from doing their hunting, fishing or trapping on farms or ranches in Nebraska?

SENATOR SCHMIT: It wasn't my intent, Senator Dierks, that we restrict the operations or restrict trapping or hunting on farms with this bill. It's been a long time since I drafted the bill, but that was not my intent I'm sure. In 40 years I've never had a bad experience with a hunter or a fisherman on my farm and I want to emphasize that. I have had an excellent relationship of hunters and fishermen. Personally, I've never had a bad experience, not once, in fact I have had some positive experiences from the presence of hunters and fishermen on my farm. And I've always been appreciative of the fact that they conducted themselves properly.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, I guess you misunderstood my question. Is it, does your bill prevent those who would try to stop these activities on farms and ranches?

SENATOR SCHMIT: I don't know if it does or not, Senator. It didn't when I started out. Does it now, Senator...does it do that now, Senator Rogers?

SENATOR ROGERS: Senator Dierks, would you repeat your question?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes, I'm concerned about the possibility...what the bill does as I understand it is to prevent disruption of research facilities and these sort of things. I wonder if it also would prevent the obstruction of normal hunting processes or fishing or trapping. Is there something in here that would keep people from stopping these sort of activities on ranches and farms in Nebraska?

SENATOR ROGERS: Well, I don't read that anyplace. If you'll read in the amendments to the committee amendments, I mean the