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word "intentionally" was put in there. If that maybe would answer, that would actually be up to a judge if you went on a farm and left a gate open or something it wasn't intentionally. I think that would be up to courts. But I don't...

SENATOR DIERKS: Okay.

SENATOR ROGERS: ...not the way I read it, Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, I didn't either, but I thought we ought to have that on the public record. Another question I have is how would this affect inspection efforts that might take place by USDA or Nebraska State Ag Department officials in inspecting kennels, for instance, or other facilities that they might inspect?

SENATOR ROGERS: Now this is in Section 4.

SENATOR DIERKS: This is what?

SENATOR ROGERS: In Section 4. I mean...

SENATOR DIERKS: I guess I didn't hear you, understand you.

SENATOR ROGERS: No, it's an exemption for governmental employees, Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Oh, okay, good. Okay, the other thing is I guess I want to know is how does this mesh with current animal neglect legislation? Is this...everything is cohesive and...I'm just asking this for the record, Senator Rogers.

SENATOR ROGERS: I don't think probably what you're talking about, Senator Dierks, it probably isn't addressed in here.

SENATOR DIERKS: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Beutler followed by Senators Rogers and Schmit. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam Speaker and members of the Legislature, just a couple of questions if I may. And I would preface it with a note that my interest in this particular bill doesn't have to do with animal rights or with the protection of animals one way or the other. What my concern has to do with is