

facts are that I will debate anyone on the floor here who says they saw those amendments before Thursday of last week, yet this morning we're going to use those amendments because the regional EPA office, and a commercial company, which feels threatened that their product may not be allowed to be sold in Nebraska without their taking full responsibility for it, has encouraged and convinced a small group of individuals that it is their public responsibility to advance this amendment at this time. Now if the product is dangerous, it ought not be used. If it is not dangerous, it ought to be willing to take the responsibility for it. If you use it as...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: If you use it as recommended on the label, and that is the way you must use it, then the individual who applies it has some responsibility. I guess my final question is this, I've not seen government work very fast the length of time I've been around, some 60 years. All of a sudden on this February 3rd of 1992, we have decided this is the way to go. Well, ladies and gentlemen, I'll guarantee you that if we go this way that the problems that you will face a year from now will be infinitely greater than the ones we face today. If there is a problem today, write your Congressman, write your Senator. If someone tells me that the Environmental Protection Agency is going to ban atrazine in the State of Nebraska this year, the year of 1992,...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...George Bush running for presidency, and all you've got to do is call Senator Exon or Senator Kerrey and say, George Bush is killing our farmers in Nebraska, ladies and gentlemen, I'm not that naive. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Thank you, Mr. President and members. Yes, I think the committee amendment is going to pass, the bill is going to pass and everybody is going to be happy. But what's going to happen, what's going to happen down the road? I guess I'm getting a little bit tired of the federal government passing regulations, then they come to the states, and what do they say to the states? Well, you pass regulations as strict as ours, or more strict, or else we'll do all these bad things,