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some money. They're going to have to pay property taxes on this breeding herd. So I certainly would hope that you amend it. Senator Warner, I have a question for you. It's a little off of this amendment, but I would be appreciative if you would answer that for me.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Warner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Warner, while you're coming to the microphone, my question is, in the amendment that we adopted last night, removing the sales tax or providing a rebate on the sales tax of farm machinery, is this new machinery? Is it used machinery? Is it repair parts or how did you interpret that amendment that we adopted last evening?

SENATOR WARNER: New and used farm equipment.

SENATOR HEFNER: New and used farm equipment?

SENATOR WARNER: It does not include repairs. As I was driving in this morning, I heard some radio news use the word farm equipment...or, excuse me, farm repairs, and I don't know where they got that but that, obviously, would not be accurate.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, I heard a radio report such as that too and I didn't think it included farm machinery repairs...

SENATOR WARNER: Right.

SENATOR HEFNER: ...and so I wanted a clarification of that on the floor of the Legislature. But getting back to Senator Schmit's amendment, I certainly support that and hope that you do too. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hefner. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Madam Chairman and members, Senator Hefner raised some good points and I think that from his position as a businessman in northeastern Nebraska over the years that his opinion ought to have some credibility with this body. Bu' I have to say also that Senator Spencer Morrissey has raised excellent issues and I would hope that it would make a lot of sense to this body that, as we proceed with the constitutional amendment, that we look at it with an open eye and that we look at the alternative that was suggested again by Senator