

don't have that year where there would be a greater need in some areas and not near as great a need in others, and then also depending on the type of livestock. I just...I question whether or not this is an area, and you need to know I'm not wild about the bill anyway, but when you start getting into a...you're splitting the hair very fine in terms of ag chemicals that don't really become a final part of that product and none of...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR HALL: ...us, I don't think here on the floor, would want them to be part of the final product. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Dierks, followed by Senator Beutler, Senator Hartnett, Senator Preister and Senator Warner.

SENATOR DIERKS: I was going to invite Senator Hall to continue the dialogue but I think he got out of here too quick. I'm wondering whether it's good for us that he's in a good mood or a bad mood. Why, the question that Senator Hall raises about the insecticide that we use and whether it becomes a final part of the end product, I think it...I think that those products that we use, insecticides that we use, whether injected or whether they're poured on, have such a beneficial effect to cause an improvement in the end product to keep, for instance, if you have a grub problem, this becomes a little bit of a horror story, but grub problems cause holes in the backs of cattle, and when these grubs mature and come to the surface and they come through the skin they leave a scar, they leave a hole and the scar and the resulting hide that comes from that animal loses its value. So it does have quite a...quite a valuable effect on the hides of these animals and it also has a valuable effect on the feed efficiency and the rate of gain and so the end product is very definitely improved with the use of these products. Now, I want you to understand that we are not asking for tax relief for instruments, like syringes, or ear tags that we put in animals, the metal ear tags we put in animals or even those identification plastic tags we put in animals, but there are some tags that have insecticides soaked into them that we use to keep face flies and those sorts of things away from the animals and I think they would be excluded. Senator Beutler, would you like to ask me some questions? I would like to help you out with this if I can.