

Can you put enough of this in feed to correct the problem that you have with some of the animals or is that impossible?

SENATOR DIERKS: Oh, yes, you know, you surely can.

SENATOR JANSSEN: All right. So if you do it that way, you're not going to pay sales tax on that either then, because it's feed.

SENATOR DIERKS: That's true.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Okay, thank you very much for your time.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Chambers, followed by Senators Schrock, Warner, Beutler, Jones and Will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, this sounds like the kind of surreal discussion I would have when I'm jesting and giving definitions to words that obviously are inaccurate. To try to make us from the city believe that insecticides and fungicides constitute feed makes me think you believe that some of us are big enough fools to think that corn is grown in cans. That's the traditional joke. We really don't believe that. We know corn grows out in the field and we know the difference between insecticide and feed. So to have to give those kind of arguments, especially from Senator Janssen, who, in the grocery business knows what food is, indicates a lack of respect for our intelligence. I take personal offense when somebody insults my intelligence. Now you can talk about the way I'll wear my hair. You can talk about the way I wear my beard, but when you talk about my intelligence you get on the fighting side of me, and under those circumstances you will find that a man gotta do what a man gotta do. And that means at this point that I have to separate myself from my rural/agricultural colleagues. I'm trying to let you know that it would be better to just make your argument and say we think we've got the votes because maybe something is owed, as Senator Wesely indicated, because of Micron and some of these other bills. But to try to define these kind of things as food would make me wonder if the ones raising livestock have the intelligence to undertake that kind of work and maybe that's why so many people in the city are getting cancer. You are feeding stuff to these animals that they ought not be fed and you work with them all the time and you don't know any more than that? You're making a greater commentary about your own lack of intelligence than ours. I