

obtain these animals, and their argument is that this animal's increase in size and weight is traceable directly to the feed purchased from me. And since that which is going to increase the value of the animal is attributable directly to that which I provided, my lien should have priority over the lien of the one who provided money to purchase the animals. But that has never gotten anywhere in this Legislature because the bankers and other lenders say, oh, no, you won't. So it is not a philosophy of fairness. It is who has got the clout. And I am shocked that people will stand on the floor of the Legislature and discuss these issues as though we are talking about a philosophy of taxation in the abstract. We are talking about who has the votes and the clout to get the exemption for the one they are trying to support or favor. That's all it boils down to. If the argument of border bleed, as it has been called, is to be followed, Senator Hall's bill would not have been killed. Who will deny that gambling dollars leave Nebraska to go to South Dakota, at the top of the state, or go into Iowa on the right-hand, well, on the eastern side of the state. That's border blee...that is not border bleed, that is border hemorrhage. So if that is a philosophy, then you should not have killed Senator Hall's bill, and you ought to vote for the reconsideration, but I won't because I think that is so much nonsense and BS. That do n't mean Bernard-Stevens. What I think is going to happen, because we are trading here, and Senator Coordsen did mention a specific bill dealing with a couple of specific enterprises, steel and cement. LB 106 will be the payoff to the rural interests if it goes. No money, no revenue was derived by anybody from the Micron bills because that balloon lost its air, but there is revenue that is to go into an ethanol bill, and there is an urban-rural split, I don't care what anybody on this floor or editorial offices will say, we know it is there. And if it were not there, it would never be mentioned. Quid pro quo, I wonder if the rural interest can force this bill through, and if they force it through, will it be the basis to pull people off ethanol? I can't even use ethanol in my car, but that's another issue. That's beside the point. I thought I'd throw that in to maybe pick up those who hadn't been paying attention on the more weighty, meaty issues that I had been discussing. I am just trying to get us to be direct and forthright. We now know that this stuff is not going to become...

**SPEAKER WITHEM:** One minute.