

bill, you all like Senator Dierks, there won't be any amendments to the bill. And then you can determine whether it's a good bill. If you agree with him that a definition which is not a definition ought to stay in the bill because he's mad at me, leave it like that and I prevail anyway. In my arrogance, in my defiance I control this Legislature. I control you to the point where when I irritate you because I don't agree to do it just like you want to do it, you say. I don't want a good definition to the bill. I don't want it tightened, I don't want to change the language, I'm going to show you that I've got enough votes to win. He didn't say, my arguments are right and they're prevail, he said, I've got the votes. Well when you look at me, anybody has got more votes than I got. We know that. We know that. Who knows it better than I do? How many times have I acknowledged that I don't have the votes for this, don't have the votes for that, but I don't quit. I don't run off the floor. I don't do as most of the people on this floor would do and say it's too hard, I'm alone, everybody is against me, I quit. No. My job is to fight for good legislation even if it's the legislation with which I disagree and before you all fail to understand what I'm saying, ask Senator Engel how much work I've done with him on a bill that I don't like at all because he was trying to get it into decent legislative form and I've said before that if I can be of assistance, I will. But when somebody has a bill and pride of authorship or whatever it is causes them to be so offended because I offer an amendment, well I don't want to hurt that person's feelings too much, so I'll just keep on offering my little amendments until we reach a point where cloture can be invoked. But as long as I think there is something in a bill which ought to be changed and when I think that change will improve the bill, I'm going to offer it. What this amendment says, brothers and sisters, to bring us back to that point, it says veterinarian medicines not, shall include medicines for the prevention or treatment of disease or injury. If you said shall include it means medicines for other purposes too, or medicines perhaps to others than animals. There is no need to have open ended language when you're giving a definition for the purpose of being restrictive and precise. If you don't want the precision, defeat the amendment. If you want the precision, adopt the amendment. Then Senator Dierks and I can meet after the session is over and choose our weapons and they'll just be compliments. I like Senator Dierks most of the time. He likes me some of the time, but since he's so much larger than I am...