

and now we're reverting back to a concept especially in this day and age which I think is indefensible and that is that state government ought to step in and pick up a cost of doing business. I don't know that there is really any other arguments to make other than that. Game and Parks provides people at the other end of the telephone to help with problems. They give special permits to kill deer or any other game animal that's causing depredations. They come out and look at each and every problem you have. If it's another form of predator that's not a game animal, you have permission under the statutes to take care of your own problem. Mice and rats, are mice and rats really the kind of thing that you envision the state government would get into regulating? If that's the case, how much money are we going to need to take care of mice and rats? My God! The cities are already paying through their local governments to take care of animal control problems. They have Humane Societies. They have Departments of Health. It's being done by local government to the extent that local people have thought it to be a significant problem. And this problem, too, is being taken care of by local government in each and every situation where the local government has determined it to be a significant problem. So I would just ask again that you drop out the \$100,000 a year for two years that has been appropriated for animal control as being one of those items that the state government can certainly do without. We haven't mandated any cost and...but we're being asked now to pick up an additional cost. I don't think this makes sense. I don't think it's good philosophy. I think it's consistent philosophy to say we will treat this as we treat insects and as we treat weeds and either it will be a cost of doing business for the individual landowner or it will be a local government cost, but the state ought not to begin to be involved once more.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The question before the body is the adoption of the Beutler amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Senator Beutler, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I was tired of sitting, Senator. (Laughter.) I guess also, Mr. Speaker, as long as it's mathematically possible, I would ask for a call of the house and a roll call vote.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.