

showing proof of ownership and destination. Again, at the suggestion of the Cattlemen, the first part of the statute, referring to permits required for movement within the brand area, is amended by the committee amendments to clarify that owners of the livestock or their employees are not required to have a permit. AM3302, carried over into AM3557, clarifies that the permit for movement outside the brand area also applies only to those who are not the owner or employee of the owner. That's the explanation of the amendment to the committee amendments. And I think maybe there's another amendment to that. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Janssen, on the Dierks amendment.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. Would Senator Dierks yield to a couple questions on that last amendment, please?

SENATOR DIERKS: I'll try.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Dierks, I have several cattle feeders in my district that sometimes take cattle into a brand area to pasture them in the summer and then bring them back. Would they have to have a permit to go into that brand area, under this amendment, or would they not have to have one?

SENATOR DIERKS: I don't think they have to have a permit to go in, but they'd have to have one to come out.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Would that be a difficult process to get that permit then?

SENATOR DIERKS: No, there's a number of local brand inspectors that are available to do that. Everybody knows in the area where they are.

SENATOR JANSSEN: So actually then this doesn't change anything for that person to come into a brand area?

SENATOR DIERKS: It just means that when they...not to come in, but to come out.