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Then their representatives in Congress from those states can say, with a bit more courage, if that's what it takes, when IBP tells them what to do, and ConAgra, and Cargill, and all the rest of them, this that is being proposed now is what they're constituents want. And we might see some action on the federal level, which, if had been forthcoming as it should have, we wouldn't have to do what we're doing now. But we should not be deterred, we should not slow down. And I think by the time the story is told, Nebraskans will have reason to be proud that old "Cap" Dierks decided to come into the Legislature...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and not just stay out there, tending animals as a veterinarian. But remember, he couldn't do it alone. The Agriculture Committee could not do it alone. It's something that all of us, cooperatively, will have a part to play in. And that's all that I have to say.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. I commend Senator Dierks and the Agriculture Committee for the bill. I strongly support the bill and really appreciate the efforts and the support of the body in what the comments are that I've heard today. In my...in my life, which isn't terribly long, in my view, I've seen a terrific change in this industry. And I can remember very, very well when it was not at all uncommon to solicit bids from several different packers and for there to be true competition. It is not that way anymore. And when the price, it seems, does start to move, the demand at the packer level seems to subside rather abruptly, and I think they're easily able to fill their needs to keep their lines going with their own cattle, or with controlled cattle, or hogs, as the case may be. I have a couple questions. I'd like to make a little legislative history, if I could, that I'd like to ask Senator Dierks, if he would yield, please?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Dierks, will you yield?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes.