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and ranching and that's further defined as the ownership, keeping, or feeding of animals for the production of livestock or livestock products.

SENATOR DIERKS: That's correct.

SENATOR BEUTLER: So it would already be technically...your...this provision just builds on the constitution and the fact that it's already illegal for a corporate or similar entity to keep or feed livestock for the production of livestock or livestock products, right?

SENATOR DIERKS: That's right.

SENATOR BEUTLER: So I suppose, as far as I can see, and maybe I'm overlooking something here too, the only question is whether there's an individual who's a packer that has an operation that's larger than the minimum size you described in this bill. Do you know of any? Are there any individual packers out there?

SENATOR DIERKS: The size we describe in the bill, Senator Beutler, has to do with the number of animals that they slaughter...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay.

SENATOR DIERKS: ...at the slaughterhouse, not the number of animals that they could have on feed.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, so that wouldn't apply.

SENATOR DIERKS: No.

SENATOR BEUTLER: But this prohibition in the bill would apply to individual packers also.

SENATOR DIERKS: That's right.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Is that right?

SENATOR DIERKS: That's right.