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fact sell them a piece of the land, year by year, as they invested their labor in farming that land. I would be very interested in a program in this state that may give funds to new farmers to buy land. But I don't see that this is what we're really going to accomplish with this. And yet, you look at the hoops that the beginning farmer is made to go through in order to rent this land, it's sizable, they have to prove, number one, that they don't have assets over \$100,000. Well, that's pretty easy for most poor people starting out and they don't have any land, they don't have any assets. But they...they have to prove that they have experience or knowledge, experience, they have to have experience before they even get the go-ahead from the board. They have to demonstrate that they have profit potential by submitting projected earnings statements; they have to participate in financial management programs; they have to go to classes, I guess; they have to submit nutrient management plans, soil conservation plans, and other qualifications as determined by the board, which could be anything in the future, as determined by the board. So I have a great deal of concern and I did vote no against this bill. And I am not familiar with Senator Jones' bill that he proposed, but I think it sounds like a good improvement over this because his bill, as he explained it to us here on the floor,...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR REDFIELD: ...says they are actually giving the incentive to the beginning farmer. And that's, I think, who we need to "incent" as a state. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. President, members of the body. Very briefly. This is probably a beginning, probably not as complete as you would like or some would like. I would say that this is a fairly stiff test. It's not intended to necessarily be easy. It's something that we're going to have to work at. It's something that I think does help those that are sincerely interested. I've always said, if you're going to really start farming, it has to be in your blood, it has to be in your gut. And this gives a chance for an individual to get a fairly...I say large, that's relative, but a viable operation. Part of the