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SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I just wanted to reiterate that we are again involved in an issue that's somewhat complicated and it seems as we move along we tend to make it more and more complicated, become...because of some of the technicalities that arrive. I don't know that what Senator Brashear is trying to...to engage in this...or to invoke into this whole process is necessary based on what I've been able to read into it, but perhaps he can continue to clarify what he's been trying to indicate and make me more aware of what his purpose is. I do want to bring out to the body, and I think it's of some interest and should be some interest to Senator Dierks, when we had this bill before the Ag Committee there was discussion of why is Nebraska the only state at this present time going to engage in this kind of legislation, and the discussion surrounded around the fact that we would, as...and Senator Brashear indicated, drive packers out of the state. I think it's kind of interesting to note that a group of farm senators have at this...I think probably at the...following up the idea that Nebraska has moved in this direction, have sent a letter to Ag Committee Chairman Dick Lugar, urging him to hold hearings on price reporting and meat labeling, and there were senators from South Dakota and Wyoming and South...and Montana and Nebraska, Minnesota, Idaho, North Dakota, Iowa, Illinois, New Mexico, and a couple other states that have taken the time to write and ask to continue some hearings or to hold some hearings on this very subject. So I think what I'm trying to tell you is that because the...Nebraska's taken initiative, and we were criticized by some people who testified at that hearing saying that Nebraska would become isolated and everybody would move away because we were going to put some restrictions on the labeling and on the price reporting, and now we're hearing that some other states are saying this must not be a bad idea. In fact, they want to get into the swim of things because they understand the same problems that...they're going through the same problem in production agriculture that we are. So I thought it was quite interesting that there is a follow-up being held now by other states to, in fact, get in line to ask the Chairman of the Ag Committee in Washington to hold a hearing so that they can come in and talk about this and perhaps end up making this a national issue so that we won't be isolated, in fact, we will be in the midst of the effort to control some of