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up. Doesn't make any difference what that producer is getting for those cattle or hogs. It's a supply and demand type of situation. And I...I'd like to...I'd like to ask a question of one of...one of my colleagues. Senator Dierks, would you answer a question or two for me, please?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Dierks, would you yield?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Dierks, you are probably one person who understands what I'm talking about here. If you sell beef to a packer and there happens to be a dark cutter in that bunch, and you understand what a dark cutter is, are you discounted on...?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yeah, I've had one of those.

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...are you discounted on that dark cutter?

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, you are if you sell them in that kind of a contract.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Um-hum, all right.

SENATOR DIERKS: If they...if you've sold them like on the grid that was so popular a few years ago, if you ask...if they gave you, say, \$1.10 on the grid and you got a dark cutter, that dark cutter would probably bring somewhere around 75 cents.

SENATOR JANSSEN: What I'm getting at, when we get...when we get a box of, let's say, beef loins in, there's three loins in a box, short loins, just the T-bones. Not very often, but it happens occasionally, where one of those loins will be a dark cutter. There's really nothing wrong with that, but it just isn't very appealing to the eye. We pay the same price for that dark cutter as we do the other two loins that are in that box. They're a little harder to sell. There's nothing wrong with them. But, you see, that doesn't...you're getting discounted for that. I'm paying the same price for it. So these are just some of the things that...