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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: That's okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Members of the Legislature, I would like to engage Senator Wehrbein in a little discussion, if I may.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, sir.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Wehrbein, when you drafted your amendment, the only thing you did was to change the date from January 3rd to February 15th, is that correct?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Did you have any consultation with anybody in arriving at that amendment?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, I talked to S...yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: May I ask with whom, if you're not betraying a confidence?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I'm not betraying any confidence, because, I mean, this has been an ongoing thing for let's say three months, Senator Chambers. I have had a contact by one packer in the course of business, the same day that the Ag Committee, for example, had the discussions with him.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. And the reason I wanted that, they would agree with the amendment that you had adopted. Is that true?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Ah, I assume so, I have not had any discussion the last two or three weeks.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I have recognized myself, if I may, that we did not...should not have a dual reporting system. If we were going to have a federal system, and if you listen to the agribusiness news the last two or three days, there are many,