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say, and so with that, I ask the support of the body on this amendment. If there are any questions, I will try to answer that.

SENATOR CUDABACK: We're open for debate on the Schrock amendment, AM1423, to LB 822. Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you. Would Senator Schrock yield to a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock, would you yield?

SENATOR BROMM: Senator Schrock, what does this...what does this mean? That's the only question I have, what does this mean?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Well, basically, I think it means that what we had in place, as far as the Livestock Waste Management Act, this bill will not affect that, and it would still allow local zoning, and this bill would not...would not, what do I want to say, would not affect local zoning that is already in place.

SENATOR BROMM: Okay, the amendment says that it doesn't change the zoning authority of a county, so whether the zoning is already in place or whether it's going to be put in place in the future, either one of those would come under the zoning authority. So it's just not protecting existing zoning, is it? I mean existing uses, but it is saying that we're not intending to interfere with the zoning authority that the county has now that...

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator Bromm, if I may respond?

SENATOR BROMM: Yes.

SENATOR SCHROCK: That is correct, and the original zoning language that we had, we weren't sure whether that meant the county could require different percolation rates, whether it required maybe a livestock operation to cover lagoons, things like that, and so this makes it clear that that authority would still stay with the state but we don't want to interfere with local zoning, and we think this amendment accomplishes that.