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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Very few are starting out as relative to history.

SENATOR BEUTLER: But as the size of farms get bigger, you would necessarily expect, would you not, that the number of young farmers would decrease?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, if they're not starting out, they certainly aren't going to be around. The other thing has to do with size of scales of agriculture. As we go down the road, as operations get larger and larger, this bill would accommodate some size. Otherwise, you get a seven million dollar operation, who's going to buy out a seven million dollar operation? Only bigger. We're going to have the consolidation in agriculture which we're getting to some degree anyway. This allows a young person to start out with a sizeable unit which is relative to the times without being bought...swallowed up by a simply larger operation. It's going...it's an effort to keep more families out on the farm, at least those that want to be, and I know you can make the case that not everyone...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...maybe should be there but...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers on the Wickersham amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I've been listening to this discussion for more than a day, and being from the city, I have to acknowledge that it makes no sense to me at all. So I'm going to ask Senator Wehrbein some questions, and maybe he can enlighten me. Senator Wehrbein, would you answer a few questions for me.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wehrbein, do you yield?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Wehrbein, what is the benefit that