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only right way to do, is to go forward with it, because this is an important bill as a continuation of LB 1209. Includes several things that we needed in it last year and we didn't get in it and I...I'm going to support this amendment because I think it's (inaudible) ready to move on. I do have some questions about it, but I think that we can live with them. The word "suggested" that was talked about yesterday quite a bit, I'm still a little uncomfortable about taking that out. But with what Senator Beutler said on the mike this morning on it, that the best management practice could include these different things, and I think with that definition and having that on the record, I think that's...will be good enough for that so we can go ahead and take that out, so I'd support that now. But the 300 head I think is really important and that...that's not a very big operation. I do not believe that you can make a living with 300 head. That's just impossible nowadays. Seven hundred and fifty hogs you cannot make a living. That's what that would amount to. So we are exempting some really small ones. I wish that figure was higher, but I guess that we can...really want to protect the real small ones I guess it will work, but I don't think you'll see very many 300-head operations from now on because they're just not...they're just going out of existence. The engineering for the existing operations, I think it's real important to have that out because there's no way that you can get an engineer to sign off on an operation on a lagoon that's already been in operation for several years. There's just no way they can figure out how that...whether it's got leakage and monitoring wells and everything, so there's no way that they'll even sign off on it. They would rather be there from the beginning, when it was built, and so that they could actually see how it was built. Then they would sign off on it. So I think that's important. One little...another little problem I have on it is the potential discharge. After looking at this slip of paper that Senator Wehrbein passed around, well, it looks like they're kind of looking at us for zero pollution on...in the rivers, and Omaha is not worried about that much. I think maybe they're working on it, but this...this don't look good, what they're doing. So the potential discharge, I do have a do have a problem with them two words and I don't know whether we can change them or not, but I live right along the South Loup River and I know if there is a big rain or something and there is some livestock waste goes in there, you better get your