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interest group, of course, to want to have the program administered by whatever agency they feel the most comfortable with or by whatever agency they feel has the best subject matter expertise. But, if we follow that line, then we would have programs all over the place in government rather than having a coordinated effort out of the Department of Economic Development. If we don't want a Department of Economic Development, then let's not have it. But I think it does make sense to have it, I think it does make sense to have this program in the Department of Economic Development, and I hope that we won't split off from that philosophy just because this is an ag program or some other kind of...have some other kind of favored status. That's all this amendment does. I think it makes sense. I would ask for the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the Beutler amendment? Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the body, I'm not going to quarrel a lot with Senator Beutler's amendment, but I do rise to oppose it. And it might be a philosophical issue. I do understand the DED versus Department of Ag. My basis for the Department of Ag is very simple, and first of all, it does say the Department of Agriculture with assistance provided by the Department of Economic Development, so I intended for them to be communicating, that's the intent of it. And I recognize that DED has experience in this area and they will be administering the Microenterprise. But my real concern is the fact that this is primarily an agricultural rural development issue, and I felt much more comfortable with the Department of Agriculture administering it. Now I have no quarrel with the present administration. Hopefully, this bill will be in for a while, maybe it will never...maybe nothing will ever change in terms of administration, this does sunset in 2004. But the point really is that I think there ought to be a real good understanding of agriculture and I think someone ought to be administering it that is acquainted with the ills and problems of agriculture at the present time, and that they would be better understood by somebody in Department of Agriculture that is acquainted with rural development, small towns, rural enterprises, rural initiatives, the very thing that this entrepreneurial bill and value-added bill is designed to do,