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the Department of Agriculture to promote livestock, are we so intimidated, so afraid of what some of these lobbyists are doing that we won't even stand up and do that? Well, I'm not.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SPEAKER BROMM: And, believe me, I've had more phone calls and e-mails than many of you have had, I'll guarantee you that. I had them last year; I've got them again now. I am not going to be intimidated by these people like they intimidate the county boards. And what Senator Baker... Senator Baker's example goes on all over the state. The latest ploy is to go ahead and let the county issue the permit, file a suit in district court. That scares the banker. That scares the producer. He doesn't dare start building in case it's overturned on some technicality, like the TeVelde Dairy, after they invest a million and a half dollars or two, so they don't build. The issuance of the permit is good for a year and then it's gone. Now this bill doesn't address that problem, but we need to because we do need to be a state that capitalizes on our advantages. We don't need to try to put a square peg into a round hole.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SPEAKER BROMM: We need to capitalize on the fact we're the best livestock environment in the country. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Senator Jensen, followed by nine others.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, first of all, I do support LB 754, the amendment, and the amendment to the amendment. I believe it's a suitable and a sensible approach to a very, very important issue. In the 43 years that I've been in business for myself in construction industry, I in those years have dealt with zoning every time that I took out a permit, every time that I developed a piece of ground. And I also know that there are communities that have good zoning laws and have been able to grow and to prosper and also protect its citizenry. I also know of communities within