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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: ...amend the committee amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I have a number of amendments, which are not earthshaking and would do something to improve the bill, should it pass, which I hope it won't. But in order that you might know where this one is, on page 1, in line 15, after the word "seek", I would insert the word "reasonable". And the sentence, beginning on page 14 (sic--line 14) would then read, "It is the intent of the Legislature to seek reasonable means to nurture and support the livestock sector of this state." Since that is an easy amendment to understand, and a person will either see the value of it or be opposed to it, I don't need to spend a great deal of time discussing the amendment itself. But the word "reasonable" is important to our consideration of what's being done here today. I would like to ask Senator Bromm a question or two.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bromm, would you yield to a question from Senator Chambers?

SPEAKER BROMM: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Bromm, in the intent language, would you have any objection to my drafting language to the effect...I haven't gotten it polished yet...that the intent of this bill is not in any way to reduce, restrict the powers and prerogatives of the county board or the planning board, or to diminish their control over this area of activity, that idea? Would you be opposed to that being put in the statement of intent?

SPEAKER BROMM: Not the idea. You know, words like "prerogatives," we'd need to be sure we're using words that didn't create some other meaning than what we intended. But certainly that's my intent, just what you said.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, your having raised the issues of our being careful about the words we select, I have to ask you this