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SPEAKER BROMM: ...is to foster additional livestock production. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Senator Chambers, your light is on next. You can either use that to speak or else close.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: To speak.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You may do so.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Bromm said it's up to a county to determine whether it's going to seek this designation or not. I don't disagree with that. I'm saying that we ought to take our position and point of view from the state. What is it that we as a state, in formulating policy, should put out there and make available. I do not think it makes sense, nor do I think it's good policy, to have this designation provided by the state. There could be a county which would not go through the hoops that the Department of Agriculture bureaucrat would establish. Those criteria may seem demeaning and off-putting, so "County B" will not seek the designation. "County A," panting like that little puppy dog Odie, O-d-i-e, in that cat comic strip, and "County A" would get the designation, but "County A" may have more stringent requirements than "County B," who did not get the designation. I would like to ask Senator Bromm a question.

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

SPEAKER BROMM: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Bromm, in establishing these criteria, there is nothing in the way of direction or guidance to the bureaucrat in the Department of Agriculture other than that portion which says the types of things that may be taken into consideration. I think it's Section 2. "The Director of Agriculture shall establish a process, including criteria and standards, to recognize and assist efforts by counties to maintain or expand their livestock" and so forth. When we get