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SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: And that was your third time, Senator. Senator Louden, your light is on. There are no other lights on. If you wish to close, you can, or you may speak. It will be your third time.

SENATOR LOUDEN: I'll close, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You're recognized to close on AM1007.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Okay. Thank you. Well, I appreciate the dialogue and the questions and the discussion that we're having on this, and I'm sure there's a lot of you don't know that much about prairie dogs or never thought about that much. You probably know more now than you did at 12:30 today. There are five species of prairie dogs and, as Senator Chambers pointed out, what other species were here wouldn't be affected, and that is very true. The five species we have is, of course, the black-tailed prairie dogs and there's also the white-tailed prairie dog, which is usually in western slopes and live up to 10,000 feet. There's Gunnison's prairie dogs that live up to 12,000 feet. There's Utah prairie dogs which are mostly confined to Utah, and there's a Mexican prairie dog which is into Mexico. This isn't something to eradicate all prairie dogs. They were named as the black-tailed variety because I think this is the part we have. Now, as far as the amendment, why, this is something that we wanted to clear up the language in the bill and I would certainly appreciate a yes vote to advance this part of the bill and to the amendment, AM1007. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Louden. You've heard the closing on AM1007, which is an amendment to the committee amendments to LB 673. The question before the body is, shall the amendment be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. The question before the body is the Louden amendment to the committee amendments. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of