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SENATOR LOUDEN: Yes, of course.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Louden, we both believe in being as accurate in describing something as we possibly can. Would you agree?

SENATOR LOUDEN: Yes, I would think so.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I object to Senator Friend leaving. (Laughter)

SENATOR FRIEND: (Microphone malfunction) (inaudible).

SENATOR CHAMBERS: (Laugh) Touche. Mr. President, people just mess with me. Senator Louden, did you say that this is not an eradication bill?

SENATOR LOUDEN: It's a management tool, yeah, is what I've said, yes, all along. It's a management act.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, but I don't want to talk about management. I want to use the word "eradication." You said this is not an eradication bill. Didn't you?

SENATOR LOUDEN: Right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, my amendment says, "In no event shall eradication be an option." If this is not an eradication bill, my amendment simply makes that clear. Wouldn't you agree?

SENATOR LOUDEN: Okay, it would make it...are...I'd have to decide whether or not it makes it clear just in the bill, under the management act there wouldn't be, or where eradication wouldn't be an option in the state of Nebraska. Because, as we're passing...doing this legislation, this is something we certainly don't want to take away as a tool, to manage them, a certain amount of eradication. If you have a bunch of them getting sick and that sort of thing, there's going to have to be some drastic measures taken. It isn't any different than we get right back to your Omaha rat. You have an eradication program down there.