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Senator Thompson and Senator...Senator Schimek. All members are present or accounted for. Senator Chambers, how did you wish to proceed?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I would like a roll call vote on this one.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Roll call has been requested. Mr. Clerk, please call the roll on the question.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken, Legislative Journal pages 1194-1195.) 3 ayes, 24 nays, Mr. President, on the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was not successful. FA160 was not adopted. Mr. Clerk. I do raise the call first.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend with FA163. (Legislative Journal page 1177.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on FA163.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, on page 1, in line 4, strike these words, "Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Management," and insert "Dump the Responsibility of the State of Nebraska onto the Individual Landowner." That's what this bill is about. You all don't want to acknowledge it, but it's going to be in the Journal, printed, to tell the truth about this bill. And this then is how lines 3 and 4 will read: "Sections 1 to 13 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the Dump the Responsibility of the State of Nebraska onto the Individual Landowner Act." This talk about managing prairie dogs is bogus. You won't accept this amendment, but I'm not going away. My other amendments now are going to be offered for the purpose of mocking and taunting those geniuses who put together this language that you all love and think is so perfect and so well constructed. But right now I'm still in a good mood and am trying to accommodate my colleagues by giving the opportunity to properly label a thing what it is. So the record is clear, we're talking about wild animals. Wild animals belong to the state. The state owns wild