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do? You start a mad scramble among the counties to try to get their grubby little paw out first, to plunder this small pittance of \$25,000. I'd like to ask Senator Kremer a question, since he's Chairperson of the Agriculture Committee, and understands these matters.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Kremer? Is Senator Kremer on the...would you respond to a question, Senator Kremer?

SENATOR KREMER: I will try.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Kremer, precisely what will this \$25,000 be spent for?

SENATOR KREMER: Okay. In developing the management plan, and it could be it would reimburse the counties if they had to go out and take some four-wheelers or ATVs, and go out and investigate what the problem is and how far...how widespread it is, and what needs to be done. It's more in developing the program, more than it is into really doing the management or anything like that, because that is really, according to the bill, is left up to the landowners themselves. But it's to help the counties who...many of them are pretty strapped with the budget lids and the levy lids, to have any money to even go out and do this, if they felt like it's appropriate in their county.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Kremer, where in the A bill, or the underlying bill, does it specify the things you mentioned, as being what this money will be spent for?

SENATOR KREMER: I don't know that it does.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So you're just...

SENATOR KREMER: Well, it would actually...the \$100,000 going into the animal damage control fund with the department, that could be used for not only prairie dogs, but for other problems that would...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But we're not going to have that now.