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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Or they...or see, with mine, remember, if I holler a certain name, all mine come running.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Well, you'll be able to keep them home then, I guess.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And what is that name that I holler, if you remember?

SENATOR LOUDEN: I...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, Belevedere.

SENATOR LOUDEN: I'm familiar with prairie dog calling.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, here they come now. (Laugh) Okay, here's what I'm getting to, Senator Louden. We have a situation where there were no prairie dogs on your land but there are some on mine. Prairie dogs from my land wind up on your land, and let's say we can prove that. You had no prairie dogs. It can be proved that they came from my land to your land, and let's say I even admit it. So the issue that I'm putting to you is this. Am I responsible to do something about the prairie dogs that are now on your land that came there from my land?

SENATOR LOUDEN: Your question is whether you're responsible to eradicate the prairie dogs on my land. Is that the question?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes. Or to pay for whatever steps you go through to have them...

SENATOR LOUDEN: Okay. The way the bill is written, no, you're responsible to keep them on your land and the management process on your land. That's part of the reason why the bill is written the way it is because of encroachment from properties where...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR LOUDEN: ...people do not want to control them.