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SENATOR CHAMBERS: And Senator Schrock went by and he...this is what he said my Belevedere would be singing when he got to you, "This land is your land but now it's my land." (Laugh) So let's say that mine have gotten onto your property. You're telling me that I have no liability...let's say you want to get rid of them and you have to pay \$1,000 to get rid of them. I will not be responsible to reimburse you for the cost of your getting rid of the prairie dogs that came from my land to your land. Is that what you're saying happens under the bill?

SENATOR LOUDEN: I think that's right, yeah. The problem is that if you don't go something about them on your land, that's where the county has the authority to do something about the prairie dogs on your land. It's up to you to control them on your own property, and if you wish not to and they are encroaching on other people's property...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator. Senator Chambers, that was your third time and there are no lights on. I will recognize you to close on FA285.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And as I said, I'm not going to take this one to a vote. This is what I'm trying to get clear, because it's not clear to me from the bill, and it's been a while since I read it. Senator Louden seems to be correct, based on the language of the bill, if the county has to come in and do something about these animals that I will not control on my land. Now here's a question, Senator Louden, I would like to ask you. Senator Louden,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Louden.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...I would like to ask you another question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Louden.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Let's say we've reached the point now where it's clear that I am not going to do anything about these prairie dogs on my land, so you notify the county, file the complaint. The county determines that these prairie dogs are coming from my land to your land. I've made it clear I'm not