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SENATOR LOUDEN: Oh, on page 1.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Uh-huh.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Okay, okay. Sorry about that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's all right.

SENATOR LOUDEN: I turned the page. I was done when we turned the page.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I know. That's what had happened to me. Then I went back to page 1, so I could get to the language on page 2. In line 21, it says a county may adopt by resolution. We probably should have put "board" after "county" here also, shouldn't we? The county board may adopt by resolution.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Probably so.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. But that's just a minor point. I just thought I'd call that to your attention because it may be something to be looked at. That's all I will ask you now because I'm going to comment on this Section 3 of the committee amendment...of the E & R amendment: A county may adopt by resolution and carry out a coordinated program for the management of black-tailed prairie dogs on property within the county consistent with this act, and they name it, and rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the director, I believe who is the director of the Department of Agriculture. When a county, county board, adopts such a resolution, the county shall assume the authority and duties provided in the act, and the provisions of the act shall be applicable to persons owning property within the county. It seems to me that the persons owning property in the county would be the ones who have prairie dogs on the land that they own within the county or the property. But again, that's a somewhat minor discrepancy, if that's what it could be called. The way the language is written, if the county board adopts a resolution to implement one of these programs, the county shall assume the authority and duties provided in the act. Here's what I need to ask Senator