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PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time, Senator Preister.

SENATOR PREISTER: ...and I support the underlying bill and I thank everyone that has been involved. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Preister. We have Senator Kopplin, followed by Senator Schrock, followed by Senator Stuthman. Senator Kopplin.

SENATOR KOPPLIN: Thank you. Members of the body, I stand in support of this amendment and all the...the committee amendment, the underlying bill. I do get concerned about cold water streams and the streams of all of our state. I think probably the original two miles was the compromise. But certainly I support the cattlemen and the industry that they support in this state. It's of vital importance to Nebraska. I thank Senator Schrock and Jody for the work they did to bring these things, this compromise, about. I believe the changes to the one mile and the reasoning behind the university exemption are valid and certainly I can go with that. I believe Senator Chambers' suggestion that this...that we insert the word "scientific" improves the bill and for that reason I support the amendment and the underlying amendment and bill, and would urge the support of the rest of the body on those issues. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Kopplin. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I appreciate everybody's comments. Senator Stuhr, you're exactly correct. The livestock operations in the state are very important to the economy. Senator Loudon, I'm going to disagree with you a little bit, but hopefully it's in a friendly way. We did know what we were doing when we passed the class A stream. I will tell you, though, that I was alarmed when I saw the impact in the Panhandle. We did grandfather existing facilities, but I'll tell you, I made a special trip up to Long Pine to look at that, where they were proposing a rather large hog confinement operation right on the banks of Long Pine Creek. We, the committee, has been to Verdigre Creek to look at that and we've seen the Game and Parks trout fish hatcheries there,