so we knew what we were doing. But I am trying to lessen the impact on livestock facilities and still protect those streams. Yes, I was alarmed when I saw that the Panhandle had some class...some streams out there where there is livestock operations. So if you're an existing operation out there, you're grandfathered if you're within one mile. If you're outside of one mile you can expand. If you're outside of two miles...if you're going to build a new facility, why would you want to hassle with that anyway? Get outside the two-mile range. That bill was probably the brainstorm of a gentleman by the name of Dave Sands. He brought the issue to me and I said, what can we do, and that's how we got there. And Dave Sands has been a wonderful help on a lot of issues. He's a member of the Water Policy Task Force. Finally, I'd like to give credit to the Department of Environmental Quality for their work on this. They've worked hard on it. Tom Lamberson has been excellent to work with. And we think we have a bill here that needs to be passed and, with that, I'll conclude my remarks.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Stuthman, followed by Senator Erdman and Senator Kremer. Senator Stuthman.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you, Lieutenant Governor and members of the body. I am supportive of this amendment, but I would like to engage in a little bit of a dialogue with Senator Chambers, if I may, please, if he is available.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Chambers, would you yield?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, I will, Mr. President.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. In inserting that "scientific" between "available" and "information,"...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: ...realistically, are we doing a duplication there? And I'll give you my reason for that and I'll read, you know, as it is stated in line 15: a department determines based on scientific information provided in the application or other