have to go through a permitting process and put in a lagoon, you are on the verge of probably spending a minimum of $200,000. And so the bill, as we have drafted, says that you can increase 10 percent or 500 head, whichever is the greater, and I think that's a reasonable amount of expansion. So if you have a 1,000-head lot, you could go to 1,500 head; help offset the cost of putting in the facility. Now we've had some discussions with Senator Beutler about the 10 percent, because if you're a large feedlot, let's say Adams cattle feedlot in Custer County, and you've got 90,000 head, that's a 9,000-head expansion. So we've had discussions with Senator Beutler, and we're willing to...we're willing to take that provision out of the bill. But it seems like a 500-head expansion is reasonable. Now, if you're a 5,000-head lot, a 500-head expansion is not a lot. So I thank you for your time yesterday. We are waiting for an amendment to come down. And with that, I will give the rest of my time back to the Chair. I don't know if the Chair needs it or not, but I'll give it back to you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: I'll take it anyhow. Thank you, Senator Schrock, for the summary. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, I...before we get into this discussion again, it might be good just to orient you towards the alternatives, to the extent that you're interested in such an orientation, but we're on that section of the bill, you will recall, that takes away or mandates to county boards or county planning commissioners that they shall approve or grant a conditional use permit or special exception to these kinds of operations if they're seeking to comply with federal or state regulations pertaining to livestock waste management. And then it goes on to say, you may recall, that there are a couple of exceptions to this. It will not be mandatory if they're seeking to increase their operation by more than 10 percent or by more than a certain number of animals, that number of animals being 500 in the case of cattle, being different numbers in the case of all other kinds of livestock, those numbers apparently modeled under...modeled off of the federal regulations with regard to livestock number thresholds. So, to me, it's easy to think of this as having about four different types of alternatives. One could be no change at all;