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SENATOR SCHROCK: I think it's rather important because, as you know, these feedlots are not necessarily out of compliance, but then we have new rules coming down. So I think it's important for our livestock sector that we be supportive.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Between the two, if you had to make a choice, which of the two is more important to you: the conditional use permit standing alone, or this increase in critters? And for your purposes, those two would go together. But I can separate them out, because they are two distinct items. Would you say that if you cannot get the portion that increases the number of critters, you don't want the part about the conditional use permit being mandatorily granted either? In other words, is it, for you, all or nothing on your proposed amendment?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Senator Chambers, I'm one of those greedy farmers. I want it all.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And I'm one of those people who can become unreasonable and say, then ye shall have nothing. And here's what I mean. When we start talking about these numbers of critters, I can offer enumerable amendments. And let me tell you what I'm looking at. I get calls from people in rural areas and they've been telling me lately, it's too bad we have to go to a city senator because the farm senators have sold out to large or big agriculture, whatever that means. But before I got those kind of calls, down through the years I have actually visited groups and attended meetings in rural areas where they were concerned about these large feedlots and other operations where large numbers of animals were going to be near areas where people live. Now, you and those you speak for, which obviously are the big operators, think that an automatic increase of 500 cattle is not large; an automatic increase of 350 dairy cows is not large; 1,250 swine, each weighing 55 pounds or more, is not large; 5,000 swine, each weighing less than 55 pounds, is not large; 5,000 sheep, not large; 15,000 laying hens is not large; 62,500 chickens, not large; 41,000 laying hens is not large; and on and on. But people who might have a problem with the existing facility may find these numbers not only large but so large that they ought to have an opportunity to express their view so that their elected representatives are in a position to