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is properly before us. But while waiting, I want to explain something about this particular amendment. If you look at the language in the existing law, I'm sure the federal government, and nobody connected with the federal government, would use language this bunglesome: "retested with two consecutive official negative tests." The test is not negative; the result derived from the test is either positive or negative. You're dealing with a result. And my colleagues are too nervous. On something like this, Senator Kremer should readily say, I don't care who may have put that in a federal regulation. We are not changing the meaning of it by improving and correcting the language. There would still be official retesting, meaning that whoever, under the law, is the one authorized to do this official testing, will do so; and that retesting must produce two consecutive negative results in order for this poultry to be deemed pullorum and typhoid clean. But I have to ask Senator Kremer a question about this existing language. "Doctor" Kremer, if you would yield to a question, I'd like to put one to you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Kremer, would you yield?

SENATOR KREMER: Yes, I will. And as I look at this, Senator Chambers, I think you're exactly right. We want the results, not just that they had a test.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, right. But I wanted to give you time to really...

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...see the language and have a chance to read it, so...

SENATOR KREMER: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. I'm having a problem with the existing language, and I'll tell you what it is; then when I'm recognized I can go into greater detail. But what I would have you to look at on page 2 would be lines 11 through 14,...