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SENATOR KREMER: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...to see the entire text. But then in line 13 we have the word "or," which would suggest that there are two methods by which this poultry can be declared clean of these particular infectious organisms. So when I'm recognized, that's what I'm going to discuss with you. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Mr. Clerk, do you have an item at the desk?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend his own amendment with FA529. (Legislative Journal page 856.)

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on FA529 to floor amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, in line 3 of my amendment as it appears on the gadget, after the word "to," I would insert the word "official," because I think Senator Kremer made a valid point there. We don't just want some testing; we want this to be the same official kind of testing that was discussed earlier in this language. Senator Kremer, the first part of this provision says that there are no pullorum-typhoid reactors found on the official...on the first official blood test. If that occurs, then that one test is sufficient to have this poultry declared clean of these organisms. Are they saying, or do they intend to say, when they insert the word "or" and give the second provision, that on that first blood test there may have been these reactors found, and if that's the case, then the retesting is required and there would have to be at least two negative results consecutively obtained? Is that what they're saying, that under the first test, if there are no reactors, then the fowl are declared clean, but if there are these reactors, then the second part of this provision comes in and there would have to then be the retesting which produced two consecutive negative results? Is...does that seem to be what the meaning is, as you read it?