

incentive for these young people to stay on the farm. That is that they have some profit, a reasonable profit which would encourage them to stand up and fight and do what they want to do to survive in their business. I think that the agriculture committee is real concerned with these various problems. But to introduce this bill, and it is a bill that we have read, I am sure that the information is already available as you have already heard, so I would.....that would be the reason that I oppose it is that we already have what that bill is asking for. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator KREMER.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, the only time that I vote for....if I voted that out after being read, it has been said before so there is no use in repeating it, because the information is available. I would like to ask Senator Chambers a question if he would yield.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, will you yield to a question please from Senator Kremer.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, I will.

SENATOR KREMER: Senator Chambers, personally I appreciate your concern about this and I would like to ask you, is this bill your idea?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Kremer, this particular bill was not, however when I first came to the Legislature, I was concerned before anybody in this legislature or anybody who was a farmer, I was concerned about what was happening to small farmers and the strangle hold that large corporations and non-agricultural corporations are getting on the production of food throughout the country. One of the most outstanding example occurred because of DOW Chemical activities in Viet Nam, they control almost 100% of the lettuce industry in the country. Now their main operation is the operation of or...a...a...their main operation is the production of chemicals yet they are also controlling an entire aspect of agriculture and can jockey the prices and allow for production or prevent production. So my main concern about this entire area is what those that have tremendous over-reaching powers in terms of money can do to those that have no money. I think that this bill has value because the very issues that every man in this body who says that he is a farmer is concerned about will be brought into the discussion unless there is an issue and this body generated by a specific bill, the issues will be talked about in generalities and no sharp clarification will occur. No concrete program, no direction will be evolved. This bill would force a discussion of all of the things that we are talking about and provide me an opportunity even. To say the things that I think need to be said in this body, to place our responsibility directly before us. So anybody who would provide a vehicle I would have gone for it.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you Senator Chambers you did make one point, that I may have to disagree with you. That is that you feel that a 700 acre farm is not a family sized farm anymore. I think that I would have to disagree with you.