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SPEAKER MARVEL: We are proceeding with the speakers in regard to the motion which is now under the authorship of Senator Koch. Senator Hefner, then Senator Cope, then Senator Beutler. Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. Chairman and members of the body, I rise to support Senator Koch's...I understand it's Senator Koch's amendment now. Is that right, Mr. Clerk?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes sir. Yes sir.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. The reason I support it is because I am a fertilizer dealer. We do not have floaters. That's right. I want to disclose that, Mr. Speaker, that I am a fertilizer dealer, but we do not have a floater vehicle. At the present time our county is licensing these as implements of husbandry, but I understand that another county close to the county that I live in does not. They'll license them as a motor vehicle, and either put a farm license on, or a commercial license on, and so what I believe this amendment would do would clarify this situation and the County Treasurer would have some direction and what this would do is I feel equalize the counties and they'd all be licensing them the same way. As to the floaters, it looks like we're going to have a wet spring, and the fertilizer dealers are going to be late with their deliveries. So this would just help them a little more in clarifying this situation. I strongly support the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cope, and then Senator Beutler and then Senator Frank Lewis. Senator Cope passes. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to ask a couple of questions of the introducer of the amendment, I guess. Or perhaps I should ask them to Senator DeCamp. If Senator Koch would like to answer them, that's fine. If Senator DeCamp would like to answer them, that's fine too.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Koch, do you yield?

SENATOR KOCH: Yes sir.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Koch, reading the language of the bill, as it presently exists, it says that there is excepted from the definition of motor vehicles implements of husbandry designed for use primarily for tilling the soil and harvesting crops. That, as I read it, is one category. Now, under the amendment, if I'm putting the