

who are concerned and they are legitimately concerned and I want to point that out. Sausage makers have expressed some concern and I do not say that they do not have a legitimate reason to express their dissatisfaction with the bill. The bill, as I pointed out, is Senator Merz' bill. I at the time we accepted this amendment it was an improvement over the bill. It was supposed to be declared constitutional in Michigan. I am not sure that it would be here. So I am not saying it is the answer as we would like to see it as livestock people but it is Senator Merz' idea.

SENATOR SIMON: Okay, thank you, Senator Schmit. With that explanation in mind, I would say that I would be in support of the general concept of the bill but would feel obligated to offer an amendment to it after I can come up with some language which would take care of the concerns I just raised and those that Senator Kahle had discussed with me earlier and what Senator Schmit alluded to. I think it would be impossible to determine in the area of sausage and sausage products, and by that I am talking about such things as hot dogs, weiners, Polish sausage, Italian sausage, minced ham, bologna, because of the same thing, even to braunschweiger, and it could be chopped ham, it could be a laundry list of those types of things which while might not be of interest to anybody here on the floor today would make it extremely difficult for somebody that happens to have a business that strictly handles those particular types of subjects to be able to comply with the law and I would further suggest, Senator Merz, that the use of imported meats in those types of products perhaps might even enhance the quality from domestic, because as we all know the types of ingredients which they put in those meats, while I don't begin to know them all, but they are the parts that are the least desirable when they are put in with spices and things of that nature. So even though I do not have the language drafted at this moment, I will try to come up with some language which would exempt those because I do feel that that is really not what Senator Merz was getting at. I think we are talking about primal cuts. I think we are talking about such things as steaks and roasts and even the hamburger and those things should be in the bill but I don't think that other things as I have already mentioned should be and they should be excluded.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kahle and then Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I, as