

state that grows a lot of feed grain. All we need is a little profit. All we need is a little profit and it doesn't matter, it doesn't have to be corporate ownership of those cattle. We are not going to destroy the red meat machine whether or not we leave Initiative 300 on the books. But we will destroy the red meat machine if we allow it to continue with no profit. I will tell you the biggest problem there and nobody has even talked about it, but I am smart enough to know what is affecting my own business and what is affecting it is the dietary concerns of an awfully lot of people in this whole nation. Red meat has not got a good perspective as far as the diet is concerned with the people of this country. That is what is going to have the biggest effect on the red meat industry and we had ought to not kid ourselves. We had ought not to hide behind something else. Senator DeCamp says we are creating strawmen. Well, I think he is creating a strawman by using Initiative 300 to say it is going to destroy the cattle industry. It is not. My son, my banker, those people who are interested in our operation, and by the way it is a corporation, a small one as of yet, are more concerned about those dietary concerns by far so that they can get some profit. You give us a profit, we will raise the beef. The problem is Initiative 300 is working exactly as it was intended to work. That is the problem. Some folks are getting pinched right where it hurts. You know where it hurts the worst? In the pocketbook. Now as far as the study is concerned, any time an issue is difficult and you can't quite come to grips with it, then you study it. We all know that. Now, if we want to study it, that's fine. I have no problems with studying the issue, but let's remember it takes 30 votes of this body to put an issue on the ballot. It takes 30 votes of this body to suspend the rules and introduce a bill. We don't need LR 16 to do it. With 30 votes at the end of that study period, we can introduce anything that we might want to do because it is going to take 30 votes in the end to pass it anyhow. So to indicate that we are going to have to have LR 16 in order to have a study resolution is plain and simple ridiculous. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Conway. Following that, Senators Hefner, Abboud and Hall, et al, others.

SENATOR CONWAY: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, as Senator Harris relinquished his time, I described to you a