

approach, but I can see no other remedy that is being offered that will check this particular problem and as I said, if we don't check it, I'm afraid it's only going to spread around the state and infect more herds and possibly put some very fine producers out of business. So I would also urge the advancement of LB 775.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you, Senator Johnson. Senator Vickers, please.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members, I, like Senator Johnson, voted against the advancement of this bill in the Ag Committee. I voted against a somewhat similar bill a couple of years ago when we had it before us and for many of the same concerns that Senator Johnson raised. I guess I would like to ask if Senator Rogers would respond to a question or two.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Senator Rogers, would you respond to a question?

SENATOR ROGERS: Yes.

SENATOR VICKERS: Senator Rogers, in your opening remarks you indicated that if, in fact, the subunit vaccine or a test to determine the difference between a vaccinated animal and an exposed animal was not perfected by October of 1987, that the rules and regulations would not be imposed. Is that correct?

SENATOR ROGERS: Yes, Senator Vickers. I had a long talk with the Ag Department this morning and they assured me that this producer committee that will sit in and approve the regulations before they go to a public hearing, if that vaccine is not available, then that part of the program would not become effective.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay, thank you, Senator Rogers. I just wanted that to make it very clear on the record because the situation is simply this, and I know that there is an awfully lot of you that probably don't understand this and probably could care less, but the fact of the matter is that if we adopted 775 in its form right now today, then what would happen is that if you're an individual producing feeder pigs and a neighbor next to you would break with pseudorabies, you would be in a position where you could not