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or vehicle ... of the vehicle applies to the Department of Motor Vehicles and desires to have his registration assigned to another motor vehicle as a result of the transfer of ownership or the loss of possession of the vehicle. The act also provides for the refund of any unused portion of a vehicle registration that has been transferred from a fleet, deleted from a fleet or lost from a fleet due to conditions such as fire, theft, dismantlement or junking. The act also provides that any addition to a registered fleet at any time during the registration year would require the payment of a proportionate registration fee for the balance of the registration year.

This was brought to our attention by both the Department of Revenue and the Truckers Association. There were some areas that were being violated that needed to be corrected so that we could keep this on an up and up basis. That really is the basis for the bill as a whole.

I move for the advancement of LB 884, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? Question is the advancement of the bill. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. LB 971.

CLERK: Read title to LB 971.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hasebroock. Just a moment Senator. Alright.

SENATOR HASEBROOCK: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. LB 971 was introduced by Senator Burbach at the request of the Governor and would provide for increases in the contribution of state toward group health insurance package for state employees. On January 1, 1976 the rates for health insurance was increased and the brunt of this increase fell upon the state employees to pay. The state was contributing \$11.45 for the group health insurance part at this time and was able to provide a good health insurance package for its employees. However, this increase left the employees in a financial bind for their insurance coverage. Although the state did continue to contribute \$11.45 per employee. This proposal would attempt to defray the expense of this insurance for state employees by providing full coverage of the low option insurance package offered by Blue Cross - Blue Shield. If the employees desire the higher insurance package they may elect to take this coverage, but are required to pay the difference in cost themselves. State employees are offered the opportunity to select the plan which would best suit their needs, whether they be single, married or claiming dependents. Coverage will be provided under 971 would be as follows: Single employee coverage \$13.59 per month. Single employee plus one to three dependents \$35.19 per month. Employee plus four more dependents \$52.80 per month. This will pay the entire cost of the low option health insurance plan, or this amount will be applied to the high option plan if an employee has selected this type of coverage.