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LB 946

a better committee statement.

PRESIDENT: Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President, members of the body, I rise in support of Senator Hefner's bill, 946. This is a very similar bill to the wild card bill that we pass on savings and loans and the credit unions and that sort of thing. What it boils down to is the National Fire Association which adopts...does a continuing and thorough study of fire codes for electrical contractors to operate under and architectural engineers to design by, they are continually upgrading those regulations. We are then right now operating under the 1981 issue of those regulations. There are some, in answer to Senator Lamb's question, there are some that have not completely had their hearings yet, the changes I am talking about, recommended changes have not had their hearings yet and have not gone through the formal review procedures and that sort of thing. That is the ones we are saying, wait a minute, we are not adopting those yet. We are just adopting the '84 code that has been formally adopted at this point of time. So, consequently, you make that exemption just to cover those that have not had their hearings and that sort of thing, public notices, that sort of thing. Now I wholeheartedly support the adoption of the '84 code because the engineers and architects are designing by that code and then here we are sitting in Nebraska operating under the '81 code according to our statutes and the question is, which one do they apply. Well, we have got to upgrade this code every so often and adopt in Nebraska the updated code every so often so that the national code and the state code are in conjunction with each other and agree with each other so that there is no question about which one they design to. I would wholeheartedly ask you to advance the bill.

PRESIDENT: The motion is to advance LB 946. Is there further discussion? Senator Hefner, you may close.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I apologize to Senator Lamb for not having this information for him but I can assure him that we will have those chapters in his hand before the day is over and he will be given an opportunity to read these. The reason we didn't