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vote a little sooner and get the show on the road instead of visiting so much. So I ask you, please to vote if you are interested in these bills. If you are not, of course you don't want to vote. That is your privilege. But if we are around, let's vote. Record, Mr. Clerk. Thank you.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. LB 977 advances. LB 947.

CLERK: Mr. President, 947 was introduced by the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee. (Read title.) The bill was first read on January 10 of this year. It was referred to the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee for hearing. It was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hefner, on the committee amendments.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I move the committee amendments. The committee amendments repeals the requirements that persons testifying before the cities and counties on liquor license applications must be under oath, and this has caused us many problems over the years. Many citizens will not testify if they are required to take an oath before they testify at this particular hearing. So in order to get citizens to testify, the cities and counties do not require them to take an oath. And, of course, in other words, this is against the law. They are breaking the law. At many of our public hearings we do not require people to take an oath before they testify. And, of course, one of the examples that we are familiar with is the public hearings that we hold on the legislative bills. The Liquor Control Commission requested this amendment. If this amendment is adopted, citizens would not be required to be under oath when they testify before cities and counties on liquor license applications. Mr. Chairman, I move for the adoption of the committee amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Let's vote, come on. Record, Mr. Clerk.