

January 17, 1986 LB 74, 531

CLERK: Senator Lundy voting no. 27 ayes, 4 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The bill is advanced. We'll go on to LB 531. I might just suggest to you that you stick around rather closely if you're much interested in advancing these bills.

CLERK: Mr. President, 531 was a bill introduced by Senator Withem.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The call is raised.

CLERK: (Read title.) The bill was first read on January 22 of last year, referred to the Revenue Committee. It was advanced to General File. Senator, I do have an amendment from yourself pending to the bill. Do you want to take that up now? (Withem amendment appears on page 2018 of the Legislative Journal, First Session.)

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, I do.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Mr. President, members of the body, this is a very simple bill. It's one where, in order to understand my amendment, you also probably need to understand the bill. I'll hopefully explain both at the same time. If there are any questions, attempt to respond to those, otherwise, it is a fairly simple bill. Merely, what it does is it changes the date on which counties must publish their list of delinquent property taxpayers. Under current statute this list has to be published three times in November. People who work in the county treasurer's office and county attorney's office indicated to me that a lot of work is done preparing this list of delinquent taxpayers. A lot of these people come in after the first of the year, pay their taxes. They wait until the first of the year for other purposes, for income tax purposes, they don't have the money, whatever. After the first of the year they pay these taxes. The list is much, much smaller after the first of the year. So we're suggesting rather than publishing that list in November. Let's wait until after the first of the year, publish it in February, a lot less clerical time in the treasurer's office compiling the list, a lot fewer dollars that are spent in the publication of the list. The reason