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LB 164

I have committee amendments pending by the Agriculture Committee. (See Standing Committee amendments, AM0263, on page 742 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Miller, will you be handling the bill...

SENATOR MILLER: Yes, sir.

SPEAKER BARRETT: ...and the amendments?

SENATOR MILLER: Mr. Speaker and members, LB 164 is a rewrite of the Grain Warehouse Act. The committee amendments do three small things. One is that the rewrite of 164 causes or allows the Public Service Commission to collect fees for the charges that it ensues when it closes a warehouse. And this allows them to set up a surveillance fee and collect the funds and allows the fund. Section 2 also causes the accounting requirements, changes the accounting requirements some, makes them more accountable with the federal law for warehouses. The other two minor amendments just make it very close to the same language that was in 507, the Grain Dealers Act instead of the Grain Buyers Act, and we just passed 507 on Final Reading. I would move the amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any discussion on the committee amendments? If not, those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the committee amendments. Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The committee amendments are adopted. Anything further?

CLERK: Nothing further.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Miller.

SENATOR MILLER: Mr. Speaker and members, LB 164, as I said, attempts to rewrite the Grain Warehouse Act. It, principally, does four things and I will try to elaborate a little on what each one of those four things are. Number one, it, as I said earlier, it permits the Public Service Commission to assess a fee for its expenses in terminating the operation of a warehouse for whatever cause. Number two, it provides that holders of grain who are given bad checks for grain brought out of storage