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SPEAKER WITHEM: Nothing further on LB 60. Senator Schmitt, do you have a closing? I guess there is nothing requiring a closing if the member is not in the body at the time that the motion comes up. We'll then proceed to vote on the motion to advance LB 60 to E & R initial. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 60.

SPEAKER WITHEM: LB 60 is advanced. Mr. Clerk, LB 169.

CLERK: Mr. President, 169 offered by Senator Jones and Dierks. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 6 of this year, referred to the Agriculture Committee. There are committee amendments pending by the Agriculture Committee, Mr. President. (Amendment appears on page 503 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The committee amendment we have is one that would attach the E clause to this bill. The reason for that is that this milk production takes place during the spring months and is over with in like July and it is necessary for them to take advantage of the price increase that they could receive by having this bill in place to have the E clause so they can start receiving those better payments. It amounts to about 3 cents a pound, I believe, the difference between the nonpasteurized law and when they come under the pasteurization law. They produce like two pounds a day and it amounts to like one pound for each milking. They are able to freeze this milk and hold it, but the marketing will take place in the first half of the year so it's kind of essential that if we're going to help them, we need to have the E clause attached. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER WITHEM: If I may make a comment, I assume you don't want the milk sitting around for 90 days either, waiting for this bill to go into effect so...

SENATOR DIERKS: It would be better.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Any discussion on the committee amendments?