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LB 150, 197, 216, 314, 388, 401, 622, 764

SPEAKER WITHEM: Amendment is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, you have items for the record?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. Senator Schimek, amendments to (LB) 764; Senator Wesely, (LB) 622; Senator Landis to (LB) 314; Senator Kristensen to (LB) 197; Senator Wehrbein, (LB) 388; and Senator Dwite Pedersen to (LB) 150. (See pages 1934-40 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend the committee amendments. (FA269 is found on page 1940 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Chambers, to open on your amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, my amendment is to strike the Maurstad amendment. I know that we've heard a lot of conversation of how everybody who is essential to an agreement have entered into that agreement and the committee amendments will be rejected. I don't count on that. I think we do things a step at a time. So the first thing we need to do is to put the committee amendments back in the form they were in before the addition of the Maurstad amendment. So what my proposal is, is that we strike the Maurstad amendment. And I'm going to tell you all in advance what it is that I intend to do on this bill as I did on LB 216. I'm going to fight this bill. I don't think any form of LB 401 should pass, and I said that the other day when we first started talking about it. I said I don't like 401, I don't like the committee amendments, I don't like Senator Maurstad's amendment, so I'm against it in any form and I have to carry through on what it is that I say so that in all this confusion and chaos that we find in the Legislature there will be one reliable point of reference, one rock that has not chipped, one point of the compass that remains true, and with all due respect and in all modesty, I must say that I am the one to whom reference is being made. I'm not going anywhere. I think it's very nice when everybody feels good and collegial and everything is worked out, but, brothers and sisters, we're too far away from the end of the session for this. All this good cheer, it just sickens me, Senator Tyson. Now if this were the second day before the end