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LB 49

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE: That is the way it will be then. We will proceed then to agenda item #7, General File, LB 49. The Clerk will read the title.

CLERK: Read title to LB 49. The bill was first read on January 4 of this year. It was referred to the Public Works Committee. It was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments offered by Senator Kremer's Public Works Committee, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. President, members of the body, the committee amendment actually is an additional penalty. It provides that if the operator of a truck that is licensed as a farm vehicle, if he violates his privileges under that kind of a license and hauls products that are not produced on the farm that he cannot the next year register that vehicle as a farm operated vehicle under the farm license. It is an additional penalty is what it is. I move for the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE: Any further discussion on the committee amendments to LB 49? If not, the question before the house is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor will vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? We are voting on the committee amendments on LB 49. Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE: Motion carries and the committee amendments are adopted. The Chair recognizes Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, LB 49 is a piece of legislation which would allow farmers to register semitrailer truck tractor combinations as farm vehicles. Currently if you have such a unit it must be registered commercially irrespective of the use that this particular unit might have. This is different than many of the bills on the same subject which have been introduced in the Legislature previously and most of these bills have not advanced to the floor of the Legislature for several reasons. One reason is that the fees for these large units have been very low in comparison to fees on commercial units. For example, under a piece of legislation introduced a year ago it would have been possible to register a semitrailer tractor truck for \$22.00 which I think was unreasonable.