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LB 65

There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Revenue Committee amendments? Senator Newell, do you wish to take up the committee amendments? Senator Carsten, Revenue Committee amendments on LB 65.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the committee amendments are really quite simple. What it provides for is that where a multiple amputee is granted an exemption it will...the property will not exceed more than one acre. Heretofore, it was ten acres. But it appeared that it was too large for ten acres and the committee approved the restriction of that to one acre. Previously the exemption granted such veterans included the house and necessary land therefore. It did seem that ten acres was a little bit too big and that one acre was more applicable. That was the basis for the amendment and I move the adoption of the committee amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion first of all is the adoption of the Revenue Committee amendments to LB 65. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. We are voting on the Revenue Committee amendments to LB 65. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Voting on committee amendments to LB 65. Have you all voted? LB 65, committee amendments. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Newell, do you have an amendment to the committee amendment?

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, I do. It is rather a technical amendment. Basically it says that those people that have a limb cut off or something like that, they don't have to reapply for the homestead exemption every year. The reason for that is simply this. The arms don't grow back and legs don't grow back and so, therefore, that disability is probably going to be permanent and there is no reason for them to reapply on a yearly basis. Now it also gives the right, here is the, if there is anything controversial in this amendment, this is what it is. It says if you have a progressively deteriorating neurological disease, you don't have to apply every year either and the reason you don't is this because if it is progressive and the doctors say it is, then you probably are not going to get