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to a general operation agency of state government and is only applicable to a regulatory agency and these deals with the registration cost, various licenses and it is inappropriate, impossible as a matter of fact, to make those kinds of evaluations so this will give the flexibility not to use those statutory requirements which in no way can be applied to a regular operating agency. The third one also would grant to the Performance and Review Committee, again some flexibility. The current law, for example, this year we will be doing the Department of Revenue. As the law is written it would be required to do it in its entirety. Obviously, I assume it ought to be obvious, that the cost and time and staff that would be required to do the entire Department of Revenue's agency's operation under a sunset performance review would be exceedingly expensive and in all probability not a great deal of benefit. What this would permit is in these large agencies which obviously are not going to be repealed or eliminated, it would permit us to go in and particularly look into in depth in some of their operations, portions of their operations as opposed to the entire agency. I think, as a matter of fact, it is not feasible to look into the whole agency in the course of time that is allotted and I think this would make, with the passage of this, why we can make a more meaningful review of those large agencies than is possible if the criteria of the statute was followed as it is now written. I move the bill be advanced, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance 195 to E & R for review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried and the bill is advanced. LB 345. For your records, 329 has been taken off of the consent file and, you know, with the three signatures can be removed. The next bill is LB 345.

CLERK: (Read title to LB 345.) The bill was first read on January 16. It was referred to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. It was advanced to General File. There are no amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, this bill is a very simple bill. It takes five elected commissioners which are presently being elected at large and makes the election