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CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the resolution.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried and the resolution is adopted. Next item, 344.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator George moves to return LB 344 to Select File for a specific amendment. The amendment is on page 1933 of the Journal.

SENATOR GEORGE: Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: Just a quick explanation to my amendment. The restaurants, any other public places, offices, now do have a choice if Senator Stoney's bill is passed. They will either comply with the provisions as they are in LB 344 now or their option simply is that they will install electronic air filtering equipment which will have the same result, maybe a better one, and, therefore, they do have a free option to do either one of the two. I urge the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Stoney.

SENATOR STONEY: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I respectfully rise in opposition to Senator George's amendment. I think we have discussed similar items when this bill was debated on General File and again on Select File. My contention was at that time, continues to be, that an item such as Senator George has addressed in his amendment can best be handled when the rules and regulations are adopted and promulgated by the Health Department. Now if those affected or to be affected by this particular law feel that this is a provision that would be of interest to them, that they would like to install such a system, they can provide this information at the time the hearings are held and in that way be able to impact on the decision made by the Health Department. So I appreciate Senator George's concern but I do have a disagreement feeling that this can better be handled through the rule and regulation process than attempting to address item by item every situation in statute. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Dworak, your light is on. Do you wish to speak? Senator George...

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President, I call for the question.