

these were printed separately and you will find them in your bill book. It is Request #2036. And, Senator, as I understand it you have amendments to that request. Is that correct? Do you want to amend that particular request number?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Senator, 2037 is what we want to amend, the amendments to 2037. I would prefer to adopt 2036.

CLERK: Okay, I see where we are at. Senator, I now have... we have Senator Schmit's Request #2036 and I have amendments from Senator Dworak and Senator Marsh to that particular request.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, do you want to explain the amendments, 2036 and then we will deal with the amendments to that?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Fine. Mr. President and members of the Legislature, LB 319 as it now exists would encourage private industry to provide employment eight hours a day for inmates of our penal institutions. It would encourage DCS to establish farms to provide food and employment opportunities and incidentally, they did do this last summer. The program, Mr. Bolin said was very successful, provided vegetables for the entire institution and some additional for other nursing homes and nonprofit groups. It will allow for printing by inmates. It would allow for interstate movement of goods produced by the inmates, and it would provide the director of the DCS to promulgate rules governing the disposition of inmate employee wages. Under request #2036 we would amend Section 2 to give the director of the Department of Correctional Services additional authority to enter into private contracts with industry to encourage the development of work opportunities for inmates. It would also amend Section 3 to provide that the Department of Correctional Services print shop would be allowed to sell printed materials only to state agencies and political subdivisions. It would amend Section 8 to provide that judgments for restitution is included as one of the items for which there can be disposition of wages by the director. A judgment is the result of a court action which has protected the due process rights of the individual. I hope that you have all seen and reviewed this amendment. Senator Dworak does have an amendment which would provide that the director of institutions can also, pardon me, the director of Correctional Services could also set aside a portion of the funds for the personal use of the inmate. I have no objection to that. It was in the original language. It was deleted and we did not put it back into this section but I have no objection to that. I think it is necessary to allow the director to set aside