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Department of Agriculture. Mr. Stewart has asked that the obsolete language relating to certain diseases and certain classes of livestock and to the treatment of different diseases that no longer are current be deleted from the language. It just cleans up the statute and gets rid of the cluttered language. That is all it does. I move the advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the advancement of 631 to E & R for review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. We are voting on the advancement of 631 as explained by Senator Schmit. Have you all voted? Record.

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

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is advanced. The next bill is 797.

CLERK: (Read title.) The bill was read on January 16. It was referred to the Ag Committee for public hearing. It was advanced to General File. There are no amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this bill is another bill introduced by the committee at the request of the Department of Agriculture. It clarifies language in the bill. For example, it deletes the responsibility of the brand recorder and says it is now the responsibility of the Brand Commission. In the past the brand recorder was an individual located within the Secretary of State's office. Her name was Cynthia Payne when we first knew her. I think she is married now but now the language makes it the responsibility of the Commission which was the original intent, also cleans up the language in regard to the disposition of strays and makes it a little more workable. That is all it does and I would move the advancement of the bill to E & R. I would just like to say I wish it provided for the disposition of strays in this area because I am missing a couple of cattle right now that are branded that I can't find back.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Clark.

SENATOR CLARK: I have got a question of Senator Schmit if he would yield.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Senator Clark.

SENATOR CLARK: Does this remove any brand area now?