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LB 800

He told us this bill has to pass to get in conformity with federal law. We have some amendments and I think we should advance this bill to E & R Initial and on to Select File and hold it there because presently there is a bill in Congress that will extend this period and we could do the same by amending the bill on Select File. So I think what we should do is just consider the committee amendments now and not put on any other amendments, get it advanced, and then see what happens in Washington. What this bill does, it...I probably should explain the bill before we deal with the committee amendments but it brings us into conformity with federal law where pensions, either private or government pensions, are considered against your unemployment compensation and this LB 800 also drops the disqualification of ex-servicemen who do not become employed following release or discharge from the service. This change is necessary to comply with the terms of the federal-state agreement made pursuant to the ex-serviceman's unemployment compensation act. Now the committee amendments change the disregard from ten dollars to twenty-five. The committee felt that because of inflation that ten dollars is not a very large amount of money for anybody to receive before it is disregarded and so we changed that to twenty-five and we include a nonservice disability payments to be considered as a pension payment would although service connected would not be considered to be regarded as an income. Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, I move that the committee amendments be adopted, if there is no questioning.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 800. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Senator Maresch, do you want to advance your bill?

SENATOR MARESH: I sure do, Mr. Speaker. I think there is a lot of people that aren't watching that should be voting.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The committee amendment is adopted.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. Speaker, as I said....

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance the bill.

SENATOR MARESH: Yes, this bill gets us in conformity with