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LB 743

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hoagland moves to rerefer LB 743 to the Appropriations Committee.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: No, to the appropriate committee.

CLERK: Appropriate committee, I am sorry, Senator.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: I will be very brief, Mr. Speaker, in my arguments. Let me just take a couple of sentences here. Senator Haberman's bill came out of the Public Works Committee, the original bill we are amending. Senator Wesely's solution to this particular problem came out of Public Works Committee. The Public Works Committee has addressed this particular problem. They have ratified the formula promoted by Senator Wesely and reported the bill out here on the floor. Now Senator Haberman's solution has never been heard by the Public Works Committee. It has never been heard by anybody until Senator Haberman brought it on the floor here on Final Reading. So I think the appropriate thing to do is to refer this particular solution back to the committee that has already heard the testimony, has already considered the problem and has already reported out another bill intended to deal with this problem.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, I am going to call a list of names to see whether you are interested in the motion to rerefer. Senator Wesely. The motion before the House is to rerefer the bill to the appropriate committee, do you wish to speak to that motion?

SENATOR WESELY: Yes, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I wish I would have had a chance to more fully explain this situation. I have been very much involved with this issue now for several months and I think I probably know as much about it as anybody in the Legislature. To be quite honest with you, I don't know where Senator Haberman came up with this proposal or any idea of what he is really intending to do here because as being so closely involved with this issue I was surprised that he hasn't even talked to me about it, but what he came up with, the amendment you just adopted, I think probably without looking at it I think causes more problems than it solves. There would have been a simple solution to this whole problem if there would have been some dialogue on this matter. I could have suggested a very simple motion, simple amendment which would have deleted a reference in the statutes that are contained in LB 743 which would have taken care of the whole problem. It would have deleted a couple of