

March 19, 1981

LB 151

PRESIDENT: LB 220 is advanced to E & R for Engrossment. LB 151, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 151 does have E & R amendments pending.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Kilgarin.

SENATOR KILGARIN: I move the E & R amendments to LB 151.

PRESIDENT: Motion to adopt the E & R amendments on LB 151. Any discussion? All those in favor of adopting the E & R amendments on LB 151 signify by saying aye. Opposed nay. The E & R amendments on LB 151 are adopted.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kilgarin.

CLERK: Mr. President....

PRESIDENT: Oh, just a minute, Senator Kilgarin.

CLERK: I have an amendment from Senator Vickers found on page 838 of the Legislative Journal.

PRESIDENT: All right, amendment to LB 151 by Senator Vickers. Senator Vickers. What page is that?

CLERK: 838.

PRESIDENT: 838 of the Journal.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President and members, the amendment that I have offered on LB 151 would be to drop the number of years that the exemption would be in effect from five years to three years. I will be perfectly honest, I am not one of the greatest proponents of LB 151. As I indicated when this bill was on General File, I believe this is an attempt to give an exemption for taxes to those people that can afford these energy conservation measures, such as solar energy equipment and so forth which normally is very expensive and when tax exemptions are made to these individuals, those people that are least able to afford such equipment will wind up having to pay the difference, because when we make exemptions in this body somebody else has to pick up the tab. That is the way I feel about LB 151 in general. The reason I offered this amendment was to lower the length of time of that exemption so that it would not be a five year period but instead it would be a three year period. Since offering this amendment,