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LB 427

SENATOR WIITALA: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I move the advancement of LB 427. It was heard in committee without opposition and referred out of committee without opposition. Basically this bill addresses an inequity. I offered this legislation in behalf of the State Department of Education so that teachers who are serving on the College Approval Advisory Committee, a committee that is related to accrediting, well is a part of the accreditation process for institutions of higher learning, have run into a little bit of a snag. Basically the committee is made up of twenty-two persons representing higher education, school administrators, teachers and parents. The difficulty lies in teachers being asked to leave their classrooms to serve on this committee. The problem is that the school districts from whom these teachers come from have been asked to share the burden of expense as far as hiring substitute teachers to act in the stead of those teachers serving on the committee. This bill also provides for all actual necessary expenses incurred for all twenty-two members of the committee as they perform their duties. I would ask your support on this piece of legislation.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: Mr. Speaker, members of the body,

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you have an amendment you wish to...

SENATOR WAGNER: Yes. Would the...?

CLERK: Mr. President, the Wagner amendment reads as follows: (Read Wagner amendment as found on page 1165 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WAGNER: Mr. Speaker and members, this is just technical in nature. It applies the same concept that is in LB 204 and it is nothing more than just technical nature and, therefore, I just ask your support of this amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion before the House is the adoption of the Wagner amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Wagner's amendment, Mr. President.

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

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Dworak now moves to amend: "Line 22, strike the word 'shall' and insert the word 'may'."