

SENATOR NICHOL: We will move on to LB 35.

CLERK: E & R, Senator.

SENATOR KILGARIN: I move the E & R amendments to LB 35.

SENATOR NICHOL: All those in favor say aye, opposed nay, they are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, I now have an amendment from Senators Beutler and Wesely. It is Request # 2319.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Beutler, are you going to discuss this? Okay.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this is the bill to refresh your memory that we passed with just 25 votes on General File which does away with the Motor Vehicles Inspection Law, does away with it entirely and you may recall that there were a number of us who were pleading for some time to do an interim study on this question to study some of the alternatives. We were convinced and I still am convinced that there are a number of good alternatives that should be examined before we simply do in the system entirely. Obviously at this point in time we have not had an opportunity to do the in-depth type of study that we were requesting that the Legislature allow this summer and this fall but we were able to get together with the Department of Motor Vehicle people and with other interested parties and come up with some modifications to the present system that we think will be very helpful and which we hope will encourage some of you to allow this system to be in place in another year or two and see how it works. Or at least at a minimum, allow it to exist for one more year so that we can do a comprehensive study of alternatives this summer. Let me try to briefly explain then what these amendments do and these are a series of six to eight amendments, all of which we feel and the Department of Motor Vehicles feels, are designed to improve the present system. First of all with regard to new cars, and this is a very important exception, with regard to new cars we are saying that for a period of two years you don't have to get them inspected. The theory obviously is that there is less danger with a new car than there is with an old car being in disrepair. Now obviously that is not true a hundred percent across the board. Salesmen sometimes drive new cars very hard and they are in need for repair in short order, but I think that as a general rule, by and large, we would all agree that common sense would tell us that it is the older cars that really are in need of inspection. So the first thing and one of the most important things that the