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LB 324, 487

aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to withdraw the bill.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. LB 324 is withdrawn. The next bill is LB 487.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have E & R amendments on LB 487.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Kilgarin.

SENATOR KILGARIN: I move the E & R amendments to LB 487.

PRESIDENT: Motion to adopt the E & R amendments to LB 487. Any discussion? All those in favor signify by saying aye, opposed nay. The E & R amendments are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, I now have an amendment from Senator Schmit. That is referred to on page 1997 of the Journal. You will find it in your bill books. It is Request #2401.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the amendments we have to offer on 487 are basically the bill that we introduced, that was introduced at the request of the Department of Agriculture, and it does these things. It repeals the laws that regulate the following aspects of the food industry: The Nebraska Hotels and Inns Law; the Nebraska Sanitary Food Law; the Nebraska Food Act; the Nebraska Frozen Food Locker Plant Law; the Nebraska Cold Storage Warehouse Law; the Nebraska Soft Drink Bottling Law; and the Nebraska Flour Law. The Department has for a number of years not exercised that kind of supervisory authority. It is an obsolete function of their department, they are now being supervised by the Department of Health in some instances, and in other instances, by local cities, and the Department felt it was unnecessary to have it in the act and, therefore, have asked to have them repealed. I move the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. President, I rise in support of the amendment. This is an important amendment and deals with, again, Senator Schmit mentioned 547's provisions. Essentially what we have in 487 with the Schmit amendments is a reorganization bill of the Ag Department for a number of regulatory activities that they undertake. They overlap 487 and 547 in