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difficult getting the exact language worked out, but it is the same intent as the original LB 417 and I think we finally now have the appropriate language and I would urge you to return the bill and adopt the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR SCHMIT: A question of Senator Cullan if I could, please. Senator Cullan, I am sorry I was distracted in the first part of your explanation. How wide can the head be now?

SENATOR CULLAN: If it is 18 feet or less, you would not need a flagged vehicle. If it is more than 18 feet, it would be a flagged vehicle.

SENATOR SCHMIT: And how wide can it be? Is there a limit below 18?

SENATOR CULLAN: No limit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: No limit? But it cannot move more than 25 miles, right?

SENATOR CULLAN: The 25 mile restriction is in place.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Regardless of any other provisions, you cannot use a flagged vehicle before or after anything of that nature.

SENATOR CULLAN: If you go more than 25 miles, then you would need a flagged vehicle. I mean, if you go more than 25 miles, you would need to get under the 18 feet.

SENATOR SCHMIT: You have to saw off part of the head then.

SENATOR CULLAN: Drop it off for a while.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Okay, thank you, Senator Cullan. I just want to make a comment here before you vote on this bill. We had a little bill the other day that had something to do with the caboose, and I guess I am a little bit amazed that the farmer is considered to be unsafe on the highway traveling at a low rate of speed even though he would be willing to provide a four and a half emergency vehicle as a warning. But as Senator Kahle pointed out one time, you can send a coal train with a hundred carloads of coal down the highway...or down the railroad track at 70 miles an hour with a man sitting up there in a kind of a motorized