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Senator Hefner that I would not attempt to piggyback anything on the present bill for the benefit of Columbus. I did sort of get an agreement from them that they would listen to me at a later date if Columbus found themselves in a similar problem, and I also discussed that with other persons who represent other tracks in the state. I know that there are people in Columbus who have perhaps some interest in the Dworak amendment but I am going to have to say frankly at this time that because of my commitment to Senator Hefner and to Senator VonMinden and because the people that I spoke to in Columbus did not request the type of amendment which Senator Dworak has requested, that I will not support Senator Dworak's amendment.

SENATOR HEFNER: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Could I ask the Clerk how long Senator Dworak is excused for?

ASSISTANT CLERK: He is excused until he arrives, Senator.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, Mr. Speaker, I believe that we went ahead with a previous bill this morning on 378 even though there were several Senators that were not here, and so I would like to ask the Clerk, is there any other amendments that we could start on?

ASSISTANT CLERK: I have one other amendment on the bill.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. Speaker, could we go ahead with that amendment and maybe Senator Dworak will be here by that time? If we don't get to this bill today, I am a little concerned that the Atokad racetrack will not be racing this year because they start their season in April, and they very definitely need to know if they are going to get some relief and if they are not, they are going to have to make other plans. Therefore, I would respectfully ask the Speaker to go ahead with this bill at this time.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair has been informed that Senator Dworak will be here shortly before...shortly after lunch. If there is no objection, then we will lay the bill over until that time, shortly after lunch. Okay, the next item of business is LB 631. I am sorry, 571.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I have no E & R amendments. I do have an amendment from Senator Burrows. That amendment is found on page 581 of the Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Burrows.

SENATOR BURROWS: Mr. Chairman and members of the body, this