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LB 547

Would you make yourselves known so we can welcome you to the Legislature. Senator Schmit, on the Chambers amendment.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I would like to read to you the language which I referred to the other day. It has to do with the dissemination of a false advertisement regarding a food. That is what the bill was intended to refer to in this area. I do not have a problem with it but if Senator Chambers and Senator Chambers does have a problem with it, I would like to meet with him. I would like to ask permission to pass over the bill. Senator Beutler also has some questions on the bill. I would like to pass over the bill and I will meet with Senator Chambers and with Senator Beutler and we will resolve those problems because I, as much as anyone else, do not want any ambiguity in the law and we certainly have no intention of allowing anyone to purposefully deceive the public. So with your permission, could we pass over the bill, Mr. President?

SENATOR LAMB: Well, Senator Schmit, I guess it is okay. The only thing I wonder about, these things should be worked out ahead of time because we have wasted considerable time on the bill at this point, and with our time schedule, I hope this doesn't happen on every bill.

SENATOR SCHMIT: May I just say I agree with you Senator Lamb. I have no method of knowing in advance what is going to happen on these things and I want to say point blank that we have had several instances here, I take full responsibility for the misunderstanding in the language, but there should be no reason for every single individual legislator to have to read every single bit of language that comes back to that person once they have asked that it be drafted, and I want to emphasize once again that when a legislator asks for something to be done, it should read the way it is supposed to read, and if I have to read every single page of every single bill that moves across this board, it is going to take a much longer period of time than it is doing at this present time.

SENATOR LAMB: We will lay over LB 547 and proceed to item #6, General File, priority bills, consent calendar, fifteen minute limit. The first bill is LB 458. Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: Senator Lamb, I would like to recognize in the admonition you just gave given the fact that this bill will take more than fifteen minutes debate hoping that maybe at some point we can work out...

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