

CLERK: LB 487, Mr. President, offered by Senators Labeledz and DeCamp. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 21, referred to the Banking Committee, advanced to General File. There are Banking Committee amendments pending.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp, the amendments, please.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, I would urge you to reject the committee amendments. Then Senator Labeledz will explain the bill. Let me explain the amendments I am asking you to reject. There was some confusion as to what the exact definition of a public institution was, so Mr. Humpal suggested we clarify it. When we drafted the amendment, or accepted the amendment to clarify it the counties then felt that it created further confusion. So after a meeting between Mr. Humpal and others, Humpal, Blue Cross-Blue Shield, it was agreed the original bill, with the definitions in there was quite clear enough and acceptable to everybody. So, for that reason, I would urge you to vote against the committee amendment. Then deal with the bill itself, just in the form it is. Senator Labeledz would explain that.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Any further discussion on the committee amendments? The question is, shall the committee amendments be adopted. All those in favor vote...oh, the motion is should the committee amendments be rejected. All right. All those in favor of rejecting the amendments vote aye, those for accepting the committee amendments vote nay. So if you want to...Senator DeCamp, would you like to restate your motion.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, if you just vote red then we will have gone through the process and you can just say shall the committee amendments be adopted and we will all vote no, hopefully. Then Bernice can get on with the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: That is better. Now the question is, shall the committee amendments be adopted? So if you do wish to adopt the committee amendments vote green. If you wish to reject the committee amendments vote red. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 1 aye, 23 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendments.