

says, "General File Amendment, V. Johnson." That's me. It changes effective date of bill to tax year 1985 rather than 1986. The Nebraska Department of Revenue and various county officials have requested this amendment due to increased possibility of litigation lawsuits under current law. Thus, I would ask the amendment to change the effective date of the bill to 1985 rather than 1986.

SPEAKER NICHOL: We are now on Senator Vard Johnson's amendment to the bill. Senator Higgins, do you wish to speak to the Johnson amendment? Okay. The question is the adoption of the Vard Johnson amendment to the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. I need a little help on this, ladies and gentlemen. Thank you. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Johnson's amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The Vard Johnson amendment is adopted. Now, back to the bill. Do you have anything else, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Nothing further, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay. Now, Senator Vard Johnson, did you wish to explain (inaudible).

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Does anybody wish to speak?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins' light is on.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Let Senator Higgins speak and I'll just close on the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: All right.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. I'll be honest with you, Senator Johnson, I don't understand this thing at all. But in...what'd you say, John? When Johnny DeCamp says it's a fabulous bill, it makes me even more leery about it. But in looking at the committee reports, Senator Johnson, you mentioned that the Telephone Company said this present situation we have is a mess and other people, yet none of them appeared for the bill. The only ones that appeared, I can't find the darn thing now, was the cable