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advance the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The bill is advanced. We will move on to LB 383.

CLERK: Mr. President, 383 was offered by Senators Abboud and Hannibal. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 18, referred to the Agriculture and Environment Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. There are Ag and Environment Committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Rod Johnson, on the amendments.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members, the bill basically requires that all ground...aboveground stationary storage tanks containing hazardous substances be required to be registered with the State Fire Marshal's Office. There will be a fee, an access fee, and also there is a Class IV misdemeanor for violation of this act. The committee amendment is very simple. It provides an operation date of January 1, 1986. It would limit the registration fee be not more than \$10 and that fee shall go into a Fire Marshal's cash fund to administer the act and, finally, we also define storage tank as one to be in excess of 1,000 gallons. Basically, that is the committee amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Is there any other discussion on the committee amendments? If not, the question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments, Mr President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The committee amendments are adopted. Now we are back to the bill. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABBOUD: On September 2nd of last year, approximately 10 square miles of homes in my district were evacuated by the local fire departments there. The reason for this evacuation was a nitric acid leak that took place at Control Data on 116th and "I" Street in the Millard area. The leaking hazardous substance storage tank put approximately 10,000 of my constituents in the potential path of a highly toxic gas. Thanks to the direction of the