

SENATOR BEUTLER: I would move that the bill be returned to E & R for Engrossment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You have heard the motion. All those in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. We're back to LB 662.

CLERK: Mr. President, when we left 662 yesterday there was a motion offered by Senator Scofield. Senator Scofield would move to return the bill to Select File for a specific amendment. The amendment is on page 1470, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Scofield, would you like to refresh us about what that was about. Frankly, I have lost the speaking order that was here. So those of you who wish to speak on it please place your lights on again. Senator Scofield.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Thank you. Mr. Speaker and members, as I mentioned yesterday, I think this is a minor, relatively noncon...or I thought it was a relative minor, noncontroversial amendment. There were some people who expressed some concern about it yesterday. My reason for offering such an amendment, which as you recall simply changes the effective...or the dates on the first page. I'm not really ready to do this. Let me refer to this, page 3, line 3, and page 3, line 11. I simply propose that we move up September 1, 1985 to September 1, 1986 in both cases. That just seems to me to make the bill more consistent with the new operative date that was suggested by I believe it was Senator Landis. I don't know that this is terribly important to somebody just sitting out here and reading the bill. But the reason that I offer is that I have some concerns about what could possibly be precipitated by not changing this date. I think there is going to be kind of a rush to take some sudden action, if that is possible, out in my area, and possibly in some other parts of the state where we may see Class I districts rush to join a Class VI if they can. There are a couple of school districts in my district which are Class VI's and might actually accept some of these. What it will do is effectively drain the tax base away from another community. I think the stresses that the bill might place on communities can be worked out. As we take the time, through the study process, we can ease that transition. I think just changing this date would give