

aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. 383.

CLLRK: Mr. President, 383, I have E & R amendments, Senator.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President, I would move the E & R amendments be adopted.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You've heard the motion. All those in favor say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the bill is by Senator Marsh. Senator Marsh's amendment is on page 1377.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The amendment restores what formerly was in statute, two years ago, and was inadvertently omitted in a housekeeping bill. The statute will give rural and suburban fire districts an opportunity to require the underground storage in their fire districts with the help of their county attorney as an enforcer. I did have passed out, this morning, a packet of three letters so that you are aware that Nebraska volunteer fire fighters are in support of this amendment, that the county attorneys feel that it would be helpful. Currently a fire department cannot require a service station owner to bury his or her storage tanks unless the fire department has adopted a code enforcement program, and that is not always true in our rural areas or our smaller communities, or a city ordinance within the fire district jurisdiction mandates underground burial. This will be an assistance to the rural areas, primarily, of our state. However I was very pleased to receive, in the packet, not only a letter from the Southwest Rural Fire District, but a letter from Marvin Hess, who is the Bellevue Fire Marshall, and from Dennis Grahams, and Mr. James Egger who is Legal Counsel for the Nebraska State Fire Fighters Association. I move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President, members, Senator