

SENATOR MILLER: I was going to wait to speak on the bill, but I think we should clear up some confusion here that Senator Warner has. This is not a complicated bill to understand, but when you start talking about overweights it can get complicated. So, Senator Warner, to answer your question, the Road Department can issue an overweight permit. This bill would not limit any of the Road Department's capabilities at this point, but if they have an overweight permit and it does exceed 25 percent of the weight allowed, then they would be forced to travel five miles an hour, is what this amendment refers to.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, we're on the committee amendments. Did you wish to close on the committee amendments, Senator Lamb? Senator Lamb. Senator Lamb, did you wish to close on the committee amendments? The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of committee amendments as amended.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The committee amendments are adopted. I understand you have a motion on the desk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Warner would move to indefinitely postpone the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I filed that motion some time back when the amendment to the committee amendment had not been adopted which certainly improves what is proposed, at least it gives some authority to the Roads and the cities and the counties, for that matter, to protect their roads. The... I guess my problem is, and perhaps Senator Miller can respond to the question or Senator Schmit, I have difficulty understanding the need for the bill in the first place. It was my understanding that house movers could currently get permits from the city, county, state for moving and I guess I'm trying to understand what the problem is that we're correcting since they already have authority, as I understand it. At least I see a lot of houses being moved. They already have authority to grant these special permits and how does the bill change what is currently law, if any?