

body to support it and, Senator Schmit, if you want to add anything to this part, why I'd like to have you do that. (Warner amendment appears on pages 1587-89 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the body, I support Senator Warner's amendment. I concur with him that the fines previously in the statute were not adequate. These fines are more commensurate with the abuse and certainly should serve to discourage any kind of intentional abuse of the state's highways and roads system. So I would support the amendment. I have not had a chance to visit with Senator Miller, but I don't see any objection from him and I would ask that the amendment be adopted and added to the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Miller, did you wish to reclose on the bill? Excuse me, we're on the amendment. Did you wish to speak to the Warner...? All right, the question is the adoption of the Warner amendment. But, Senator Warner, I should ask you, did you wish to close on your amendment? All right. All those in favor of adopting the Warner amendment please vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Warner's amendment to the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The Warner amendment is adopted. Now we're back to the bill and, Senator Miller, did you wish to reclose the bill?

SENATOR MILLER: I would just move that this body pass it. It is prudent management.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance LB 553, Mr. President. (See page 1589 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: LB 553 is advanced. Senator Beutler, did you have an announcement you wished to make at this time, please?