

understand we have some amendments to the committee amendments.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first amendment to the committee amendments I have is by Senator Vard Johnson. Senator Johnson's amendment is on page 1581 and 1582 of the Journal.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I would ask that you adopt this amendment. Deb Thomas, committee counsel, tells me it is technical in nature. It puts in an operative date. It changes one "or" to an "and". It makes a couple of other little dinky changes that we should have caught in the first instance, and that is the extent of my knowledge. If you want to ask me more about it, I will have to bring Deb over here but it is technical in nature.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Do any of you that have your lights on wish to speak to the Vard Johnson amendment? If so, please raise your hand. Okay, the question is the adoption of the Vard Johnson amendment to the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of Senator Johnson's amendment to the committee amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The Vard Johnson amendment to the committee amendments is adopted. Now, do you have another one, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment to the committee amendments I have is by Senator Withem. Senator Withem's amendment is on page 1686 of the Journal.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Withem, please.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. President, members of the body, this is a little more significant amendment although I think the net impact on the bill and on the revenues of the state will be slight if this amendment is adopted. The amendment is in the Journal, as the Speaker pointed out, however, probably in terms of understanding what it does it would be better to refer once again to this document that Senator Johnson prepared. The first page of his document here on