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in compliance. So this gives them a 15 percent leeway on the weight and I would ask that you support this. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MCGINLEY PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, do you wish to speak on LB 122?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I think I have a motion on the desk.

PRESIDENT: Okay.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Warner would move to indefinitely postpone LB 122. That would lay it over unless the introducer agrees to take it up at this time.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Warner. Do you wish to take it up at the present time, Senator? Very well, we will proceed, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I rise to make the motion to indefinitely postpone for a number of reasons, the principal being the one that whenever you make any exceptions on overweights, if you have been here any while at all, you know it is only a matter of time before it keeps getting expanded, that you can make a case for each individual situation that sounds reasonable. The bottom line, of course, is that highways, roads are constructed for certain weight limits, and irregardless of anything else, whenever you have a vehicle that is overweight for what the design is on the road, it will contribute to some extent to the accelerated depreciation and increase the eventual cost for maintaining the adequacy of that road. And, obviously, it is going to occur primarily and be concentrated in those areas wherever the terminal point that you are driving to, the storage facility that you are going to, the elevator. Now I don't take any...I don't have any belief at all in the argument that it is going to assist the farmer to get the grain to market. The only time you ever have a problem maybe is the first load you haul in, and the odds are that you won't be overweight on that. It is apt to be underweight because there will be some variance on the test weight which might be unknown, but you know if it is overweight, you know if it is good heavy grain. So it is not a problem to the operator. I am even more concerned

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