

SENATOR SCHMIT: That is correct. Mr. President, members, Request number 1744 clarifies that tank wagons which are operated under local co-ops and are sent out to farms are not subject to these regulations but would remain subject to regulations by the State Fire Marshal. Second, the amendment provides that the responsibility for enforcement of this act shall be with the Carrier Enforcement Division of the State Patrol, a division which was created by this Legislature during the last session with the passage of LB 395. Third, the amendment makes some changes with respect to the procedure that commercial vehicle owners would use to register their vehicles, makes certain our intent not to make the county treasurers or Department of Motor Vehicle personnel liable for any act or failure to act under this bill. Finally, the amendment changes the operative date of the bill from January 1st of 1986 to October 1st of 1986 which would coincide with the federal fiscal year. I would urge the adoption of this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on the amendment? Senator Beyer. All right. The motion is to adopt the Schmit amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Please vote on the Schmit amendment aye or nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Schmit's amendment.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted. We are back to the bill as amended. The motion is to advance. Senator Beyer, do you wish to speak?

SENATOR BEYER: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, the motor carrier industry has always been interested in safety. We are basically in support of the bill because we feel that the local inspections are going to be...probably we will see the trucks more often. Being we put it under the Carrier Enforcement Division, they see the trucks when they go across the scales. If they notice anything wrong, they are going to be able to pull them over and check them and I think it will give for a little more safety on the highway with this type of equipment. So I wholeheartedly support the bill.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? Any closing, Senator Schmit.