

This amendment was...an attempt was placed, an attempt was made to place this amendment on LB 383 by Senator Marsh and later by Senator Hannibal and at that particular time it was my feeling that the amendment would be better to be placed on a bill that dealt with underground tank storage because LB 383 dealt with aboveground tank storage and this dealt with below ground tank storage. So I felt at the time that it would be more acceptable to be placed in the statute under this particular bill. My attempts last year didn't prevent the sponsors of the amendment from pulling it and it had to be fought on the floor. At the time I told the sponsors of the amendment that I really didn't have any problems with the amendment, it's just that it didn't fit in that particular bill and that I would, once LB 3...or LB 217 did come to the floor that I would place the amendment up to place it in the proper place so that it would fit nicely in the statute. So that is what I am doing here today. I am presenting the amendment as I said I would last year and allowing Senator Marsh the opportunity to place her amendment dealing with underground tank storage of kerosene and other flammable liquids into the Nebraska state statutes. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Lundy, did you wish to speak about the amendment, the Abboud amendment? Welcome back, incidentally, too.

SENATOR LUNDY: Thank you, sir. Mr. President, I want to talk on the bill, not on this amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: All right. The list I have, and I don't know if you all wish to speak about the Abboud amendment. Rod Johnson, on the Abboud amendment. Senator Lamb, on the Abboud amendment. Senator Beutler, the Abboud amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, a few questions of Senator Abboud if I might.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Abboud.

SENATOR BEUTLER: If I have understood the situation correctly, this amendment is essentially a bill of Senator Marsh's that was killed in committee last year. Is that correct?

SENATOR ABBOD: That is correct, Senator Beutler.