

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Lamb would move to amend the committee amendments.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: The Chair recognizes Senator Lamb to amend.

SENATOR LAMB: Madam Chairman and members, I have a little amendment here which is on your desk.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: I raise the call.

SENATOR LAMB: Amendment to LB 459, amendment to the Standing Committee amendments. Basically, what it says, it is about four lines. It says that if they spray those weeds after the seeds have already been formed and mature, then the landowner doesn't have to pay for it. We have had some complaints about some weed supervisors that have been a little bit overly enthusiastic about weed control and I don't know if it is true or not but the landowners are saying they go out there and they have sprayed the fields, the land, after the weed seed has already been formed and is already viable and so it really doesn't do that much good so the landowner objects to paying for it. So this little amendment may or may not be necessary. It may or may not do any good, but I think it expresses a thought from the Legislature to the weed supervisors that they have to be a bit careful about spraying so that actually there is a good effect of the spraying or else the landowner would not be required to pay for it. And the exact wording as inserted says that "The owner shall not be liable for costs incurred in controlling weeds when the weeds are sprayed so late that in the judgment of a prudent man the production of viable seeds is inevitable, that the viable seeds have already been formed, that it does not do any good to spray and so in those cases the landowner would not be required to pay the costs." I would ask that the amendment be adopted.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Senator Vickers, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR VICKERS: Madam President, the amendment that Senator Lamb is discussing and is on our desks is drafted, as I read it, as an amendment to the amendment that we just defeated. So I would suggest to Senator Lamb that he check the drafting on it.