

Committee yesterday we reported a bill that would significantly strengthen the penalties and raise the age.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Not really, not really. It didn't strengthen it as much as my bill does.

PRESIDENT: Your time has expired, Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Abboud. Senator Abboud passes. Any further discussion on LB 631? You may close, Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: I don't think I really have anything to add, Mr. President, except to ask that this bill be advanced. Once again, it strengthens the 1981 bill in three respects. It moderates in a fourth respect. I think all of these improvements are helpful and useful. I would ask for your support of this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The motion is to advance LB 631 from Select File...from General File to Enrollment and Review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Members outside the Chamber may be interested to know that we are voting on the advancement of Senator Hoagland's bill, LB 631. Please record your vote aye or nay. May we ask the cooperation of the membership in coming into the Chamber and voting on this motion. We are going to recess or adjourn very shortly here. Please record your vote on the advancement of LB 631 which has been under discussion. Have you all voted? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

PRESIDENT: The motion carried and the bill is advanced. We will take up only one other item on General File and that is LB 631A.

CLERK: Mr. President, 631A is offered by Senator Hoagland. (Read title.) I do have an amendment from Senator Hoagland to the bill. (The Hoagland amendment appears on page 552 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Hoagland.