

might give you a list of the bills that have been pulled off so far, that have been pulled off, I've had requests to pull these off. We have, first of all we have LB 736, Senator Moore asked for that to be pulled off. Then we have LB 446, LB 566, LB 174, and LB 746, those bills have been removed from consent calendar. Mr. Clerk, we will begin with LB 126.

CLERK: Mr. President, 126 was a bill introduced by Senator Elmer. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10 of last year, at that time referred to the Transportation Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no committee amendments to the bill. Senator, would you like to offer your amendment, or explain your bill first?

SENATOR ELMER: I, yes, Mr. Clerk, I can explain the bill and explain the amendment at the same time.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Elmer, go ahead.

SENATOR ELMER: Okay, thank you, Mr. Speaker. This...LB 126 is a very...is a fairly simple bill. The way that...that state highways can be taken out of the system, as it currently stands the Department of Roads has to completely improve the road, pave it and maintain it for at least three years before they remove it from the system. Within the state highway system there are a number of small spurs and highways that have virtually no traffic. The ability to pave those roads is practically nonexistent. And many of them have no purpose anymore, anyway. So I'm amending this so that if the state wants to remove some road from the state highway system they can do it, if they enter in agreement with the county within which it lies, or the municipality within which it lies, pursuant to an agreement that they would enter into. Now the amendment that I'm offering adds agreement or contract, and such a contract or agreement shall not be cancelled or amended unless agreed to by all parties to, such contract or agreement. All this does is to make it very...make it so that if a piece of the state highway system is to be removed from the state system, it has to be pursuant to an agreement or contract between the city or the county involved and the Department of Roads, and it can't be changed unless both parties agree to it. And that's the essence of the bill.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Elmer. We will...Is there anyone else wishing to discuss the amendment offered by Senator Elmer? We will now vote on that amendment. All those in favor