

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the legislature,

PRESIDENT: Just a minute Senator Carsten before you begin, the Chair is going to ask please for your attention out there. It is getting noisy and I don't like to rap the gavel up here will you know...will you hold down the noise please. Senator Carsten has the floor.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the legislature, LB806 was presented because of a problem that we are having down in our area in eastern Nebraska particularly with this long tongue trailer type vehicles that are hauling rock and gravel and so forth. They are deceiving from the back and even from some instances have been deceiving from the side. We have had some very close calls, we have had several accidents, fortunately no fatalities. We do feel that with proper warning that we can prevent fatalities. That is the basic reason for this bill, to properly identify them and so that people when they come up behind them when they see the warnings they will realize that it is a long vehicle and they do have to pass with a little more caution. I would like to speak to the amendment for a moment if I might. In drawing the bill we were, we had completely forgotten some of these similar trailers that do haul long poles and come under this category. However, we did learn that they are covered under a different section and do have to provide warnings. In addition to that there are some trailers that haul gridders and so forth that do not project behind the gridders do not project behind but it is difficult to put a warning on that low a vehicle at the original height that we have intended. But by going to forty-eight inches it could be done. We worked before we drafted the bill with the motor vehicles department and also the motor carriers, so that we were in agreement in drafting of the bill and they do agree to it. I move for the advancement of LB806 as amended.

PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion of the bill? Question is then shall LB806 as amended be advanced from General File to E & R Initial. All those in favor will vote aye, those opposed will vote no. Voting on the advancement of 806. Have you all voted? I'll wait for you Senator Rasmussen. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays to advance.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. Brings up for General File debate LB827. Clerk will read the title.

CLERK: Read LB827

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer, do you want to handle the amendment to LB827?

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, all the amendment does is that it places a penalty clause on the bill. I move for its adoption.

PRESIDENT: Is there further discussion of the Committee Amendments to LB827? Anybody want to discuss it? Alright the question is then, does a...a....The question is then shall the committee amendments be adopted? All those in favor vote aye, those opposed say no. Amendments are adopted. Are there other amendments to the bill?

CLERK: None, Mr. President.