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LB 640

SENATOR NEWELL: Then as I understand, the Speaker is going to allow one hour of debate on this and is that correct, Roland?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: What's this?

SENATOR NEWELL: Are you allowing for only one hour of debate?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: One hour.

SENATOR NEWELL: Okay, so if it doesn't get moved it can be offered tomorrow.

PRESIDENT: Any further amendments?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Cullan moves to amend LB 640, on page 4, lines 16 and 17, strike "all persons of a household" and insert "the claimant and spouse" and that is offered by Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this amendment would change the bill by those who would be eligible when you are talking about the total income for the household and right now it says anyone living in the household and I would like to change that just to be the claimant and spouse. The reason for this amendment, there may be a third party living in the household or a son or something and this should not affect the income which we are concerned with and that is the intent of the amendment and I would urge you to adopt it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, I arise to support the Cullan amendment. Basically this would clarify, this is something that would clarify just what the income provisions are and what sources the income comes from. The situation would be that if there was relatives or a son or daughter were living in the household who are not contributing to the household, their incomes then would not be counted as all money income. I think this is an excellent amendment and I support Senator Cullan. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Stoney.

SENATOR STONEY: Mr. President, I have a question of Senator Newell if he would yield please. Senator Newell, just for a matter of edification, clarification, what if you had an elderly couple, both retired brother and sister who lived together or a mother and elderly son that was over age sixty five, lived with his mother, been a bachelor all his life? How about these type people?

SENATOR NEWELL: Both of them over sixty five?

SENATOR STONEY: Right.

SENATOR NEWELL: Well then, whoever owned the home would qualify for an exemption. Now only the one person would qualify for the exemption the same way we have now. The difference is say you had one is eighty something and one is just sixty five, just turned sixty five, and he is contributing to a household. In other words if he is paying, that would be considered on the all money income as an income if he is contributing, only that portion that he was contributing to the household but his whole

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