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LB 551

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE: We will proceed then with Request #819, Revenue Committee. The Chair recognizes Senator Carsten on Request #819.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I move for the introduction of Request #819. This is a request that came from the Department of Revenue and at this point the department has been giving an incentive payment to assessors to come in and take the examination to become a certified assessment evaluator. Up to this point there have only been six that have taken advantage of it. They have never asked for a special appropriation for it. They have only used money out of their regular allocation. At this point the Internal Revenue Service is saying that inasmuch as it is an additional compensation they believe that these people should be classed as state employees and of course they do not want to be classed as that and are really not that. It is for this purpose to clarify and make this just an award as opposed to an additional compensation. It is to clarify it so we are not having to have these people placed into the category of state employ. I move for the introduction of the bill.

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE: Any further discussion? The question before the House is the introduction of Request #819 by the Revenue Committee. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. This will require 30 votes. Record the vote.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to introduce the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE: The motion carries. The bill is introduced. Read the bill, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read LB 551 by title for the first time. May be found on page 390 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE: Proceed then with Request #777, the Committee on Constitutional Revision. The Chair recognizes Senator Reutzel.

SENATOR REUTZEL: Mr. President, members of the body, we have two bills this morning for introduction. Request 777 deals with expanding the list of fur bearing animals. Interestingly enough we are going to add the civet cat which is a spotted skunk. There are several, Mr. Speaker, that we want to add on there which we don't need to go into now. Do we? The reason we want to do this is because we are having an influx of people coming into the state, an influx of additional new trappers. The numbers are being depleted.