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LB 725

SPEAKER MARVEL: We will pass over the next item and go to....Senator Kelly, are you ready for....is Senator Kelly in the room? Senator Kelly, are you ready for 725? 725.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 725 was introduced by Senator Kelly. (Read title to LB 725.) The bill was read on January 14. It was referred to the Public Health Committee. It was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President, by the Public Health and Welfare Committee.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kennedy, do you want to take the Public Health and Welfare Committee amendments to 725? Senator Kelly's bill. Senator Kelly, do you want to take the committee amendments? Do you want to explain them?

SENATOR KELLY: The committee amendments?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes.

SENATOR KELLY: Is Senator Cullan here?

SPEAKER MARVEL: No.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, I would move the committee amendments be adopted. To my knowledge, Mr. Chairman, the committee amendments are just corrective and not substantive in nature.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you want to discuss the bill as a whole?

SENATOR KELLY: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I would. I move to advance LB 725 to E & R Initial. There is an explanation of the bill that really would be in three parts, Mr. Speaker. Last year, members of the Legislature, when LB 172 was passed, the certificate of need bill, there were discrepancies in the compromising political maneuvering that existed with that bill that left the nursing home operators out of the compromise. LB 725 would do away with the recapture of depreciation as though it were a profit item rather than a cash flow item. It would cause a member of the nursing home industry to be a member of the facilities board. It would change the time for renewal on a certificate of need from 90 days to 60 days.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Hoagland. Senator Hoagland, you have amendments to the committee amendments. Is that right? Well let's proceed with the explanation.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: I have some amendments to the committee