

attorneys have been reluctant to prosecute violations of administrative rules. The inadvertent repeal of the original legislation caused a change in enforcement and the amendment merely seeks to make the situation as it was. The amendment is essentially the same as LB 29, it's true, which was killed by the Ag Committee and I am urging it to be adopted as an amendment because I believe the committee was unaware...I'll wait, Mr. Speaker.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you, Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: I stopped in the middle since I didn't want to interrupt your...I believe that the committee was unaware of the enforcement problem when they voted and Mr. James Egr, Deputy Butler County Attorney and legal counsel for the Nebraska State Volunteer Fire Fighters Association has written me that a specific statute is needed to help the local fire chiefs in their enforcement and he feels that it would be easier with this amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You were through, Senator Beutler? Senator Marsh, did you wish to speak further on the Abboud amendment?

SENATOR MARSH: I would support Senator Abboud's amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: All right. Senator Abboud, would you like to close on your amendment, please?

SENATOR ABOUD: I think we've had a nice discussion. Senator Marsh, did...Senator Marsh...Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Did you wish to ask Senator Marsh a question?

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Marsh, would you respond, please.

SENATOR MARSH: I'd be glad to.

SENATOR ABOUD: Senator Marsh, did Senator Hannibal wish to speak on this amendment?

SENATOR MARSH: I don't see him on the floor at the moment. I thought he was going to, but since he's not present...