

SENATOR ELMER: Okay, thank you, Senator Cudaback. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Elmer. Any other discussion on the advancement of LB 193? Seeing none, you've heard the motion to advance. All those in favor say aye. Opposed no. It is advanced. Go to LB 597.

CLERK: Mr. President, 597, no E & Rs. I do have other amendments. Senator Hartnett would move to amend. Senator, AM1357. (The Hartnett amendment appears on pages 1522-23 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I passed this amendment out yesterday. It adds another section to the bill. It leaves the section that we advanced off General File with Senator Janssen's bill. And what it does, it adds a new classification of projects that may, I want to emphasize the word "may" be eligible for reimbursement sometime down the road. These projects are under contract by the school district and approved by the State Department of Education for reimbursement prior to August 31, 1992. That's really what the amendment does. It simply...it leaves the ones right now that they were...that they finished during the period of time and it adds this new amendment that they may be eligible for reimbursement later on down the line if the Appropriations Committee sees fit to do that.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Discussion on the Hartnett amendment. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I rise to oppose the amendment by Senator Hartnett. The intent of this legislation was to reimburse the school districts for that money that was spent before the first of the year of 1993. This...the intent of that bill was to replace the money that had been promised to them by the Legislature, or they thought it had, which was taken away in LB 15 of the Third Special Session of last year. There is...there is no...my bill says that that money which is spent, not anything that was contracted for, and I believe there's a big enough A bill on this right now and this would open the door for much more money. So, therefore, I urge you to not support the Hartnett amendment.