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LB 36, 404

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The committee amendments are adopted. Debate on advancement of the bill? Senator Wickersham, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Mr. President, I will be very brief. Again, to reiterate, the bill simply causes our statutes to recognize what has in fact occurred within the Department of Revenue, and that is that the Property Tax Administrator's Office has become a separate functioning part of state government, distinct from the Department of Revenue. This makes explicit in our statutes that the Property Tax Administrator's Office is a separate division, called the Property Tax...Property Assessment, okay, thank you, Property Tax Assessment and Taxation...Department of Property Assessment and Taxation. Now there is a title that trips off your tongue. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the closing. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 36 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 36.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: LB 36 advances. LB 404.

CLERK: LB 404, Mr. President, by Senator Dierks. (Title read.) The bill was introduced January 13, referred to the Agriculture Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM0378, Legislative Journal page 708.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Dierks, you are recognized to open.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. LB 718, which passed in 1995, created a registry, called the Domesticated Cervine Animal Registry, to be established and maintained by the Department of Agriculture. The registry was created to monitor