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LB 47

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, this bill, LB 47, says that any city or village which requires a building permit to be issued for a new building or for remodeling or for repair of a building, if this amount is over \$1,000, then a duplicate permit shall be sent to the county assessor. What this bill would do is merely alert the county assessor that there is some new construction going on in this particular area. We talk about equalization, equalization of property in the county and between the counties. I believe this would be another tool to do this because in this way the county assessor would be able to put it on the property tax roll. Most of the county assessors are trying to hold down their budgets and in this way they would not have to have a man in the field until some action actually took place. This would not affect any cities or villages that did not require a permit to build. This bill has the support of the County Officials. It also has the support of the League of Municipalities. This bill came out of committee unanimously. I urge your support of this particular bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, members of the body, I certainly support this bill and this legislation. I think it would make it much simpler for the assessor to keep up with what is going on. I visited with our local assessor over last weekend and they spend an awfully lot of time running around the country looking for new additions to farmsteads and, of course, it would be very simple to in the counties that do have zoning where you have to have a permit to build to send a duplicate over. Now that doesn't mean that that is going to go on the tax rolls at the time the permit to build is issued but it does give the assessor a chance then to check into that the first of the next year when this property, if it is finished by then, would be eligible to be put on the tax rolls. I think it is a simple method to keep the assessor abreast of what is going on in the county and I urge your support. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cope.

SENATOR COPE: The question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Is there any further discussion? Senator Hefner, the motion is to advance LB 47 to E & R for Review.