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LB 425

SENATOR KOCH: Good morning, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Good morning.

SENATOR KOCH: You weathered the party well. Mr. Speaker and members of the body, LB 425 deals with the Class III school systems and transportation. The bill had a pretty good sail across the Board until Senator Simon attempting to solve a problem that he has in his legislative district attached a couple of amendments with my permission. However, the amendments obviously became somewhat cumbersome because some Class III school systems felt that even though the amendments were permissive that it put the boards of education in many cases in an uncompromising position. Presently the law calls that the school will pay 40¢ a mile for transportation. In the case of Senator Simon he had in his area some students that were probably being harmed simply because parents could not always afford the total transportation and he was attempting to allow the board to negotiate a fee for other students in the family that could be allowed some transportation privilege. However, in visiting with a number of superintendents and boards of education, they felt that this was indeed a difficult problem for them even though it might have had some favor with a particular situation. So what we are doing this morning, and I will speak for Senator Simon or he can speak for himself, is asking return of 425 from Final after it was reconsidered for the purpose of striking the Simon amendments and leave the bill's original content which really dealt with Class III systems and transportation. I ask for the return of LB 425 to Select File for specific amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion is to return LB 425 to Select File for specific amendment. All those in favor of returning the bill....Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: I would merely rise to support the motion by Senator Koch.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Any other discussion? All those in favor of returning the bill to Select File for the specific amendment as discussed by Senator Koch vote aye, opposed no. Record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to return, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried and the bill is