

May 4, 1981

LB 11

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the Maresh amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is carried, the amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Schmit had one on 1630 but I think he wants to withdraw, is that right Senator?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Hearing no objections, so ordered.

CLERK: Mr. President, the final amendment that I have is offered by Senator Maresh, it would strike Sections 12, 13, and 14 and Section. . . Subsection 5 of Section 2. Is that right, Senator?

SENATOR MARESH: Yes. This is because of the Attorney General's opinion we are taking the referendum out of the old law. So I move that this amendment be adopted.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the final Maresh amendment to LB 11. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on Senator Maresh's amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried, the amendment is adopted. Now, Senator Cullan, do you wish to speak to the bill as a whole?

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, as you noticed I did not oppose some of the amendments that were adopted as I had earlier visited with some of you about the amendments of this bill. I decided that it was prudent to capitulate to my friend from Bellwood, Senator Schmit, so I did that. But the amendment is a compromise because we did go three-quarters of a cent of an increase in the wheat tax rather than a full cent. I have some reservations about the bill as amended but I intend to support it now because they did agree to go to a three-quarter of a cent increase in tax rather than a full cent. I am concerned about the past operations in the Nebraska Wheat Commission. I think that they should be chastised for meeting outside the State of Nebraska. They are a public body responsible to the people of the State of Nebraska and the Wheat Growers in the State of Nebraska. I think that it is irresponsible of them as a public body of this state to meet outside the state. They held their summer