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LB 347

amendment?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I just had one question. Has this had a public hearing, Senator Nichol?

SENATOR NICHOL: I don't believe so. Not specifically, however, the reporting of false alarms has been dealt with but because of some of the cunning, clever ways of setting off alarms falsely has come to us rather late so we thought it important enough that we should introduce this amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Nichol, are there any issues known to you related to this particular amendment? Are there any controversial matters or any questions that should be discussed by this body?

SENATOR NICHOL: No, no controversial ones, the specific need is this, Senator Beutler, in that, and as I said it was most particularly being aware of in college dormitories where very cunning and sly methods are used to set these off and they are done, you know, some young folks are not all stupid. In fact they are very clever in setting these off and it isn't covered except in this amendment so that county attorneys would feel they had the grounds on which to file charges when they are caught. In answer to your question, I don't think there are any problems there or controversial issues here.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you, Senator Nichol.

SENATOR CLARK: Is there any further discussion on the Nichol amendment to 347? If not all those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? It takes 25 votes. Once more, have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Nichol's amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would now move to amend the bill.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, you may recall the last time we discussed 347 we discussed the penalties for child abuse and for abusing the elderly and incompetent and we talked about negligence versus inten-