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LB 472, 569

SENATOR HALL: Just wanted to let the body know that my priority bill has the same effect as Senator Lynch, only it doesn't take two days to do that, and I would like to thank the body for that last vote as well.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 567, LB 569, excuse me, Senator, I have Enrollment and Review amendments pending.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay, please.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I would move the advancement of LB 569.

CLERK: E & R amendments, Senator.

SENATOR LINDSAY: I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 569.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Shall the E & R amendments be adopted? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Peterson and Schellpeper would move to amend the bill. (See Peterson and Schellpeper amendment on page 1560 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Peterson, please.

SENATOR PETERSON: Thank you, Mr. President and members. This is an amendment that comes from the bill I introduced before the Public Health Committee, and it mainly just has to do with liability. First responders serve a vital role in the emergency care system in the state by responding to emergency calls and giving basic first aid care at the scene of an emergency. These persons are usually volunteers who have other full-time jobs who respond when an emergency arises, although some communities have combined this service with their jobs as firefighters. In some communities, the first responder units are the only emergency care available. I introduced LB 472 as a bill to certify first responders and it was a recommendation of the Health and Human Service Committee that LB 472 go through the 407 review process. In the meantime, however, these communities that rely on the