

in there. Without that, because of the fact that it was...came out six to nothing and could have been actually without amendments it could have been a consent calendar bill and was not for that reason. As you might remember, the bill was brought to me by the Omaha zoo and I think that's pretty common...commonly understood. But I don't think it can be...it should be seen as a zoo bill nor is as an Omaha bill. I don't know if it's...if it impacts your districts or not and that would depend on what type of organizations would be in your districts. We have done...tried to make some calls to some different organizations seeing if it would apply. The one that we, I guess, found that they think it might apply to them is a Western Arts Museum in Gering. I think Senator Scofield had talked to me earlier about that to see whether it would apply to other organizations. The term...or the definition in the statute deals with holders of the 501C3, the exempt organization certificate from the Internal Revenue Service. It's not defined as zoo or anything like that. It's defined to those charitable organizations if they get voting rights in the corporation by becoming members. If...in addition to this, they are entitled to admittance, the Department of Revenue recently...they have not started enforcing it, but if you look at 540, the fiscal note, it does not...they can't calculate a fiscal note because it has not yet been enforced. This is a reinterpretation of rules that the Department of Revenue has recently come up with and so we don't know how far that's going to extend, whether it's going to stop at the zoo, whether it will extend to some of the other organizations who may fall within it. I put it out there I guess to you as a policy decision. With that, I would urge that the...that you vote to return it to Select File and that we adopt the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hall, followed by Senator Moore and Senator Chambers. Senator Moore...Senator Hall, please.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President. As Senator Lindsay has stated, the amendment is one that I offered the other night. There were, I think, 16 members of the body had gone. There were 18 votes on behalf of the amendment. The bill that was introduced by Senator Lindsay to the Revenue Committee was LB 540 and it was like a number of other bills that came before the Revenue Committee, LB 209, which is a bill that deals with the telecommunications and the access charge tax. The genesis of the bill is the fact that there has been a determination by the Department of Revenue that they are going to take a