

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. This amendment is another technical amendment. It's similar to the one we put on on General File when we added the Department of Agriculture, State Department of Agriculture to the exemption list. This exemption then also adds the United States Department of Agriculture, in other words the federal employees that do the same type of work in Nebraska that the state employees do who we amended in on General File. So then, if you look at the bill, the amended version would read, on page 6, starting on line 12, "Commonly accepted practices of animal husbandry with respect to farm animals and poultry and egg production, including their transport from one location to another and nonnegligent actions taken by personnel or agents of the Department of Agriculture in the performance of duties prescribed by law." Then after, in line 3 of that amendment, where it says, "of the Department of Agriculture", we put in "Nebraska", and after "Agriculture" we insert "or the United States Department of Agriculture". Doesn't make much sense, but that's what we're doing. We're trying to include the people in the United States Department of Agriculture. I think the final version will sound better than the way I made it sound. I just urge your support of that amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any discussion? Anything further, Senator Dierks? There are no lights on.

SENATOR DIERKS: No.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the Dierks amendment to LB 50. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Dierks' amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Dierks, there is nothing further on the bill. Senator Lindsay, please.