

the original intent of the bill as it was introduced by Senator Pirsch and myself three years ago, apparently that's the way it has been interpreted by some though not by any court of law. I still believe that the intent of the bill was correct and at some point maybe Senator Pirsch and I can take a look at this again. But I appreciate Senator Johnson dealing firmly with the problem and I concur, as Senator McFarland said, that we go ahead and advance this repealer of the bill and look at it again possibly next year. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Pirsch, on the committee amendments.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you. I guess I will have to speak up on this. I think this is a shame that we are completely repealing this, quite frankly. If you will recall, 123 had a tortured existence and Senator Chambers insisted that we put the notice provision in which has caused a great deal of consternation and expense and concern. So, with that, I guess we'll go back to square one or square zero and try to deal with this perhaps at a later time. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Further discussion on the amendment. Senator McFarland, would you care to close.

SENATOR McFARLAND: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think it was nicely discussed. I appreciated the comments of my fellow senators on the issue. They explained it much better and more thoroughly than I could. I thank them for their comments and I urge you to adopt the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 594. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The committee amendments are adopted. To the bill, as amended. Senator Johnson, would you care to address the bill?

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I think with the discussion that has taken place prior to this point, I would merely move for the advancement of the bill.