SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the advancement of 594. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senator Johnson, could I ask a question, please.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Johnson, would you respond?

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: Senator Johnson, I remember now with the committee amendment which appears to totally undo what we have been trying to do and bringing us back to where we were before we dealt with 123, is that where we are now in time?

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: That's correct.

SENATOR SMITH: So we're back about three years or something like that. Now, how will we deal with the problems that were brought to us at that time? Or will we have to start all over again next year in trying to look at that whole area?

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: I think Senator McFarland indicated that and Senator Pirsch also in her remarks said that we're back to square one and would have to deal with it again.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay. So I just want to make it very clear as far as I concerned because I...I signed on this bill with you because of the concern that was expressed by people in my district and when we worked on the bill, on LB 123, that was I thought trying to respond to a problem. All right, so I can get back to my people and tell them we're going to be working on this issue again then probably next year.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Very likely, yes.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you very much.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any other discussion? There are no other lights on, Senator Johnson, anything further? Thank you. The question before the house is the advancement of LB 594 to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all