

amendments? Seeing none, I'll recognize Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: I just move for the acceptance of the amendments.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Okay we will proceed to a vote on the motion to amend LB 43. All those in favor please vote aye, all those opposed please vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

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

PRESIDENT MOUL: The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Baack.

SPEAKER BAACK: Yes, Madam President and colleagues, this bill was brought to me by the Community College Association and it was brought to me because the Community College Association is the only one, the only sector in either public or private higher education that does not have a member on the ETV Commission and as more and more courses and things become available in our communities, through the community college system that are brought to us by ETV, they felt that they ought to also have a member on this commission. Then as we amended the bill with the committee amendments it changed the membership actually to eleven members on the commission and six of those members will be from the public, five of those members will be representatives of higher education. I think that in speaking to Jack McBride, what the commission does is they are in charge of general policy decisions. They make a policy as to programming. They don't necessarily consider each program that is put onto the ETV network, but they do have the broad policy considerations as to what shows should and should not be on the ETV network and also on the public radio network. So they do have a great deal of responsibility and he felt that it's better to have an odd number of members on the board with eleven, works better than when having a ten member board. I concur with that and with that I'd be happy to answer any questions if there are any.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Seeing no one wishing to debate this issue, do you have closing remarks? Okay we will proceed to vote on the motion to advance LB 43 to E & R. All those in favor please vote aye, all those opposed please vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.