

whatever bill you referred to?

SENATOR MOORE: Senator Dierks, not actually harm, the only problem is the precedent it sets it would invite other agencies, all agencies in government to come forward with their own specific amendment to change theirs. I think the preferable way to do it, instead of piecemealing it, is to do it all in one statute, as the other bill, LB 653, does. And so it actually wouldn't have any harm, but I just think it sets a bad precedent that invites a lot of activity that this body does not need in the way of amendment.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well then the outside possibility that...what bill did you say that was, 6 what?

SENATOR MOORE: LB 653.

SENATOR DIERKS: LB 653. With the possibility that 653 wouldn't be enacted this year, why, this particular bill would go through without that provision for the brand inspectors. Is that right?

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, and then the brand people would have the only one that would have a mileage reimbursement change, which would make several people upset.

SENATOR DIERKS: You know I've had a lot of personal experience with the brand committee, and the people that work for them, and I know what they go through. And I guess that I think that sometimes they have done some work above and beyond the call of the duty. I've seen this many times myself, and I, personally, am not...I don't think that they've been overpaid. I know their mileage, the kind of roads that they are asked to travel, and sometimes they have to use 4-wheel drive equipment to get there, certainly I just think that the mileage reimbursement increase is really vital, I think, to them, so I would support that. And, at this point, I'm not going to support Senator Moore's amendment just because I think that I want to make sure that the brand inspectors do have this increase. Thank you.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Wesely is next on the amendment.

SENATOR WESELY: Just briefly, I did talk with Senator Bernard-Stevens and I, too, would support the Moore amendment. I think Senator Moore is right, we need a uniform reimbursement