

most of the concerns that there might have been with the legislation have been worked out. There is only one left that I know of, two left, rather, that I am aware of, one of which is relatively minor that we can correct or adjust on Select File, and the other one we can also adjust, but it deals with the funding system, which I will discuss on an amendment in a moment. But I would urge the body to adopt this. It has been a long time in the process and one which should make a more effective system for the collection of motor fuel taxes than what we currently have.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Warner. Mr. Clerk, are there amendments on the desk?

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Warner would move to amend the committee amendments. Senator, the first amendment I have is your AM1834. (See page 2320 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Yeah, Madam President, members of the Legislature, this amendment, as you notice, is on page 2320, and it deals with the fuel quality. We are not establishing a fuel quality testing mechanism in the bill, but it is appropriate to address this issue. Currently, apparently the state has no standards in which to test the quality of fuel in terms of the components, some of those areas in which pollutants might be added, some of those areas in which complaints are filed, but there is not that standard that can be used to go after those who are providing fuel to the consumer that does not meet the necessary standards. Actually, the amendment, I can tell you, was brought to me by the Petroleum Marketers Association because they are equally concerned that the quality is maintained, and feel that this adoption of the American Society for Testing Materials publication, which is dated so that we, in fact, do have a standard in statute which can be used for testing the quality of fuel as is necessary for the protection of the public in uniformity in the various fuels that are sold across the state. I move adoption of that amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Warner. Senator Hefner, do you wish to address this amendment?

SENATOR HEFNER: Madam President and members of the body, I rise to support this amendment because I think that we really need a