

May 22, 1991

LB 627A, 627

committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Committee amendments are adopted. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I would move the bill be advanced to E & R Initial. Obviously, as was indicated, the amendment is now the bill. Unless there is additional questions, why I'd move to have it advanced so we can get to LB 829.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Warner. Does anyone else wish to speak to this bill? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Warner? Closing is waived. We will now vote on the motion to advance LB 627. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on advancement of LB 627.

PRESIDENT MOUL: LB 627 is advanced. LB 627A.

CLERK: LB 627A, Madam President, introduced by Senator Warner. (Read title.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, this is the A bill. It reflects the amendment that was adopted. Again, I would remind you the money comes from the Highway Trust Fund, which, in effect, is being funded by all those, that is the cities, counties, and state that share in highway user revenue, and by virtue of this, we eliminate the current General Fund that is utilized for the collection of motor fuels. There may be...this is a new program. The major cost in this legislation is not as a result of the legislation. The major cost component is additional people who will be involved in the auditing and investigations of fuel collections, which actually could be done now. But there is not the kind of paper trail that you really ought to have, and as many people have pointed out, over the last several years, as a matter of fact, the amount of auditing that has been done on the collection of motor fuels have almost been nil, which there has been some effort, but limited effort. This will accelerate that significantly. It does contain a funding in here that is General Fund that I