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and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: LB 870 passes. We will now proceed to Item 7 on the agenda, Select File, 1991 Senator priority bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 503 is on Select File. I do have E & R amendments pending, first of all.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Mr. Speaker, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 503.

SPEAKER BAACK: You've heard the motion to adopt the E & R amendments to LB 503. All those in favor say aye. Opposed no. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, I now have an amendment from Senator Schellpeper. Senator, an amendment you filed with me last year, AM1471.

SPEAKER BAACK: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Moore would move to amend.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Is this amendment 2391?

CLERK: Yes, sir.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay. Mr. Speaker, members of the body, LB 503 was the bill which was my priority bill from last session and those of you that are familiar with it, I'm sure you all are by now, it's the battle between the optometrists and the ophthalmologists, one of those turf battle issues that we never really like to deal with in the Legislature but, unfortunately, we have to. And, actually, a few years...you all are well aware of several years ago because of turf battles like this we set up what is called the 407 process which was supposed to try and settle these battles for us and give some guidance to the body when we deal with these very complicated issues which many of us as lay people are somewhat at a disadvantage to try and deal with and that is why particularly 503. I only agreed to sponsor 503 after the process of allowing optometrists to prescribe oral