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under the south balcony. Mayor Bob Unzicker, would you please stand so the Legislature can recognize you. Mr. Clerk, are there items on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers has amendments to be printed to LB 130. Government Committee reports LR 210 to General File. That's signed by Senator Conway. Notice of hearing from the Appropriations Committee, signed by Senator Moore. And a confirmation hearing report from Natural Resources. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 754-55 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. Clerk, go to committee...General File, committee priority bills. LB 349, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, 349 was introduced by Senator Rod Johnson. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 16 of last year. Mr. President, at that time, it was referred to the Agriculture Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending. The bill was briefly discussed on February 1, Mr. President. (See AM2456 on Journal page 491, First Session, 1991.)

SENATOR WARNER: Okay, the committee amendments are pending. Senator Carson Rogers, would you like to refresh our mind of the amendments, the committee amendments that are pending and I believe there's amendments to it?

SENATOR ROGERS: Yes, Mr. Speaker, and body, the...we addressed some of the amendments before. Some of these will be changed after a bit, but the ones that were addressed in the bill you have, you also have a copy of the amendments in your bill book. Now the first amendment is the sunset provision that would sunset several of the sections. These pertain to recordkeeping, civil and criminal penalties, and the sunset amendment does not terminate the preemption clause that would prohibit municipalities or local entities. And why do we have this amendment? One reason, it was...I think it was requested by the Governor's office and also the Department of Ag. Basically, we're trying to work up and get a statewide pesticide plan, only after a statewide pesticide plan approved by the Legislature and comprehensive legislation in 1983. LB 349 gives us time and the opportunity, I think, to develop a pesticide management plan and the bill does what is necessary at this time to qualify for federal funds from EPA. In 1993, the Ag Committee will bring to