

February 22, 1995 LB 830

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Closing is waived. The question before the body is the adoption of the Jones amendment to LB 830. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Jones' amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Jones amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Withem has the next amendment, Senator.

SPEAKER WITHEM: I would ask that that be passed over.

CLERK: Senator, you have the next several, Senator, do you want to pass? The next amendment, Senator Dierks, AM0569. Senator. (See page 838 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President and members of the body. The amendment that I've had circulated to your desk is one that provides for some description on the part of the entity that is doing the building, is making the application for the permit, that it has an impact on our environment and on our ground water, surface water, and I think it's a very simple statement. It simply reads that a statement describing in detail the impact of the company's business on the environment, including use and consumption of ground water and surface water, any releases of residue into the air, water, or soil, and the company's waste disposal practices, and then it renumbers the sections accordingly. I think it's fairly self-explanatory. I have been told that the process of manufacturing microcomputer chips uses a toxic substance. I don't know what that is, and I think it is just the responsibility of our state to require that we have these assurances by the company that uses these things that they are not going to damage our environment. I would ask your support of this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: This is an amendment that was just handed to me a few minutes ago, a half an hour ago, maybe. On its surface reading it, it looks as though it adds a considerable additional burden. I know a lot of businesses have difficulties with