

the advancement to E & R of LB 344? Seeing none, Senator Schellpeper to close.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yes, Mr. Chairman and members, we will take a look at the Gaming Commission because we also had a problem with that and we'll get the revenue people to either explain to us exactly why it was not done and we'll get back before Select. But it's something, I think, that we need to have a real good answer on it. They were able to convince us but I think they need to convince the whole body to that and we will get that answer before Select. So I would move for the adoption of LB 344 to Select File. Thank you.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. You've heard the close. The question is, shall LB 344 advance to E & R Initial? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 7 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 344.

SENATOR HALL: The bill is advanced. The next item, General File, Speaker priority bills, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 434 introduced by Senator Wehrbein. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 17, referred to the Agriculture Committee. There are committee amendments pending by the Agriculture Committee, Mr. President.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Dierks, on the Ag Committee committee amendments.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. President, and members of the body, this bill was brought to us, LB 434, by Senator Wehrbein. And what it does is transfer the duties of the Nebraska Soybean Development Utilization and Marketing Board to a private nonprofit organization meeting the criteria which are stipulated in Section 3 of this bill. The amendments are fairly simple. There's four of them that are...that we should talk about. One of them is it stipulates that the directors of this new board be elected by district. And it also stipulates that a two-thirds vote of the new board is required to change the articles or bylaws. It authorizes elected members of the new board to appoint an additional at-large member. And, finally, it speeds up the activities by authorizing...or by moving the deadlines