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LB 406, 610, 612, 637

Bernard-Stevens brings up that may not be the one that deals with Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee but it even has some comport with health issues. So I would argue that the amendment is very germane and that Senator Hartnett's bill was LB 612 rather than 610, Senator Bernard-Stevens, but it, too, deals with Department of Public Institutions and the advisory group for visually impaired people, so I would argue that it is very germane and would request that it remain with the...as an amendment to the bill.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Bernard-Stevens, I rule that the amendment is not germane.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President. I think that I won't argue with your ruling but will try to refile those amendments that we think are germane. So, thank you very much.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, the next amendment I have is by Senator Wickersham. I have a note, Senator, you'd like to withdraw AM1297 and offer as a substitute 1345. (See page 1635 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: That's correct.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Madam President, this is a bill that was...original genesis for it was 637, this is slightly different than 637. This has to do with EMS items in a different...in a variety of contexts. One, it wipes out language that we used to have in the statutes concerning EMTAs. The amendment was passed out to you last week. I'm sorry, it was put on your desks when I thought we were going to get to the bill. It was too lengthy to print in the Journal, but you should have had it distributed to you last week. I didn't choose to distribute it again because it's 22 pages long. But the main provisions of it are in LB 637, if you're interested in following that. What it does is simply eliminate references to EMTAs, that was a category of emergency medical technicians that we had based on a course of study that was promulgated by the U.S. Department of Transportation. They now have a new course that's called a B course. There was some suggestion that we should EMTBs to recognize the people who had taken the old EMTA