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LB 418

Kristensen I'm somewhat reluctant, unless you have had authorization from the Chair.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I under...I understand that. I was volunteering to at least to begin to explain them, but I... I understand I'm not a member of that committee, so...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Will, as the vice chair of the committee, can you handle the amendments?

SENATOR WILL: Yeah, I would yield to Senator Kristensen at this point. I may have something to add.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. I'm going to attempt to give as unbiased, is a good word, thank you, of the committee amendments and try to lay this out and then there is, I believe, Mr. Clerk, if there an amendment to the committee amendment?

CLERK: Yes, sir.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay. This bill is a bill dealing with the increasing of the legal publication rate for the State of Nebraska.

SENATOR WILL: Okay.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Those rates, and I... there is a handout that's been passed around and you'll see the committee amendment OM (sic) 335, which is the middle column of the handout. Now this is Senator Maurstad's handout. Senator Maurstad has got an award and a luncheon that he had to MC and be there. He'll be here in a few minutes, but I'm attempting to... to also, it's because he has an amendment to the committee amendment, but effectively what the rates are today. This would increase and they are at 37 cents for the first insertion and then what the committee amendment would do is move it to 46 cents. That is consistent with what LB 418 has. The committee decided though to take out, there was a provision for an annual adjustment by the Department of Administrative Services. In other words, it would sort of administratively be done each year looking at a number of factors. The committee was uncomfortable with doing that and has taken that out. There was also a conversion table