

but they do print some of the views. (Laugh) The committee amendments now with the Maurstad amendment would go from a 37-cent increase to 41-cent effective in September of 1995, and from 41-cent to 45 cents effective in September of 1996. There was no annual adjustment by the executive branch as there was with the original bill. The conversion table for each increase is placed in statute. So I think, Senator Maurstad, would you want to close on any of the committee amendments? And with that, I think the committee amendments are in good shape now. They may not be what everybody would like to see, but I think we have to realize that the small town newspaper especially, this is a very important part of their business and I would move for the committee amendments at this time. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The...you've heard the closing. The question before the body now is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 418. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Committee amendments are adopted. Any further amendments other than the committee amendments?

CLERK: Nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The question before the body now then is the advancement of LB 418. Senator Chambers for discussion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mister...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Oh, pardon me one moment, Senator Chambers. The Clerk appropriately pointed out to me that we have not had the benefit of an opening from the principal introducer of the bill. Apologize for that, Senator Kristensen. Go right ahead.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, and I don't intend to take my full time because I'm very anxious to hear Senator Chambers for his brief and I'm sure cogent message. But, members, the bill really is, at this point in time, the committee amendment which has been adopted. And the bill, if you want to look and see what does the bill do through this discussion, you should look at in your bill books it's AM1456 and it does those two things that we've talked