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LB 418, 860A

SPEAKER WITHEM: You've heard the motion. All those in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. All opposed (sic) say aye. Opposed. It is advanced. Mr. Clerk, LB 418.

CLERK: Mr. President, with respect to 418, Senator Maurstad, you had amendments. I understand you want to withdraw yours, Senator. Senator Withem had amendments, I have a note he wants to withdraw those. Senator, I have E & R amendments, first of all, to 418.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Mr. Speaker, I'd move to adopt the E & R amendments to LB 418.

SPEAKER WITHEM: You've heard the motion. All those in favor of adopting the E & R amendments...machine vote has been requested on the adoption of the E & R amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the adoption of the Enrollment and Review amendments.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Mr. Speaker, I'd move to advance LB 418 to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: It is a debatable motion. Senator Chambers, your light is on.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I'm opposed to this bill and I had given my basic reasons the last time it was before us. There is so much that we read about being opposed to welfare, governmental subsidies and the taxpayers providing a handout to those who have no need of it. There is an article in this morning's paper, it was a column, and it was written by this fellow who said that he is listed now as a senior citizen because of his age. So when he got on Amtrak he was entitled to a \$7 reduction in the ticket. And he said he has a well-paying job, he's able to pay his own way so why is he automatically getting this subsidy? Then he talked about other subsidies that people get, for example, the farm subsidies and how everybody is against cutting welfare until it affects them and their interests. This bill is a form of