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the committee amendments.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature. As a brief background of this, LB 464 is a clean-up bill. In 1994, you'll remember we established the Watercraft Title Act, that becomes operative in January of 1997. Last year DMV, in looking at the legislation, began to implement it or look at ways to implement it, brought us 464 as a technical correction to that act to make it work a little smoother. One of those is the committee amendment. And what the committee amendment does is actually lower a fee, it lowers it from a title fee for watercraft or...from 6...or from \$10 down to \$6. And what this does is conforms to what you pay for motor vehicles. So, in effect, it harmonizes that. It also provides that that portion of the watercraft title fee which flows to the state goes to the state General Fund and not to the DMV Cash Fund. And that's also to harmonize that that's similar to what we do with motor vehicle fees. And most of this act is designed to treat boat titles much the way as we do motor vehicle titles. With that, I would urge the adoption of the committee amendment, and I'll explain the rest of the bill when I open.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Is there any discussion of the committee amendments? Seeing none, Senator Kristensen, to close on the committee amendments. Closing is waived. The question before you is the advancement of...is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 464. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of committee amendments, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The committee amendments are adopted. Chair recognizes Senator Kristensen to open on the bill.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature. Again, this bill deals with the Watercraft Title Act, and the following corrections are made by the bill, in addition to that that I discussed in the committee amendment. Where we need to, the county clerk is removed from this bill, or at least references to the county clerk, because we've allowed, through other legislation, some merger or some consolidation