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LB 383, 965

SENATOR HILLMAN: It does, but the handibus service, in its own case, I think, is a separate program. That's not to say that you couldn't put an inner city bus system that could address elderly or transport elderly, but as just a handibus service, you know, if you're looking at that whole program being cut out, and I'm not real sure about this, but I would say that that could be a federal cutback on funds that's operated through the Department of Roads, and this is a separate program than that. That's not to say that they couldn't apply for some funding under this particular act.

SENATOR VRTISKA: All right, I thank you again.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Hillman, to close. Closing is waived. The question before you is the advancement of LB 383. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of 383.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: LB 383 advances. LB 965.

CLERK: (LB) 965, introduced by the Agriculture Committee. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 3, referred to the Agriculture Committee, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Chair recognizes Senator Dierks to open on the bill.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President and members of the Legislature. LB 965 is a bill that was brought by the Department of Agriculture to update provisions of Pseudorabies Control and Eradication Act. The bill adopts primarily technical and clean-up changes. The specific changes made by the bill are as follows. First, the bill deletes an obsolete reference to assessment testing. That portion of the eradication program was a two-year program, between 1990 and 1992, and when all swine herds were tested at owners' expense. Secondly, the bill adopts the most current edition of the pseudorabies eradication program standards for testing, as approved by the Animal Plant Health Inspection Services, that's