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in fact it would require a CDL licensed driver. But, in effect, what we're doing, I think, with the amendment and the fertilizer and chemical people were also in attendance at the meeting that we had to try to clarify this and understand it, they were very supportive of this amendment to clarify this situation for them, because they can get into a bind on getting help, particularly in the spring when a lot of fertilizer chemicals are being applied. And we didn't want to make it more difficult for them to get help. So that is a...that's an explanation of the committee amendments. As I said to the Carrier Enforcement people, when we had the meeting, I said, you know the human brain can only absorb so much. And maybe mine is too small, but it doesn't seem to have a lot of room for understanding the HAZMAT regulations. And it is an extremely technical area. And when we deal with this I think the best thing we can do is to try to pin down these people that do understand it, particularly the Carrier Enforcement Division, to try to get the best explanations that we can, and we've done that. And I think the fertilizer and chemical people also did that, as well as the farm organizations that were interested. And so that is my explanation to the body. Be glad to try to discuss it and, if you have any specific questions, will try to address them. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Seeing no discussion, Senator Bromm, you're recognized to close on the committee amendments. Senator Bromm waives closing on the committee amendments. The motion before us is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 161. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The committee amendments are adopted. Discussion on the advancement of LB 161? Chair recognizes Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Excuse me. Question of Senator Bromm, please, if he would respond.

SENATOR BROMM: Yes.