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CLERK: (LB) 566 does have Enrollment and Review amendments, Senator Smith.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. Speaker, I move we adopt the E & R amendments to LB 566.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Motion before the body is the adoption of the E & R amendments. All those in favor say aye. Those opposed say nay. They are adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further pending to the bill, Senator.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. Speaker, I move we advance LB 566 to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I would like to add Senator Tyson, who is a cosponsor of this bill, a question or two, if he will yield.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Tyson?

SENATOR TYSON: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Tyson, what does this bill do, just very briefly, in general terms?

SENATOR TYSON: This bill removes the requirement for sealed bids on equipment that's highly technical or unique, such as nuclear power plant equipment. The difficulty is that a lot of this equipment is for...is literally unique. In other words, it is designed for a particular purpose and to require a...the regular proposal to go through, all you can do is specify things in a very, very general sense. It isn't something that...these are not off-the-shelf items, as it were.