

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE
Transcriber's Office

May 4, 1999

LB 770

committee amendments that I have is offered by Senator Hartnett. (See AM1612 on page 1823 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Hartnett, on your amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR HARTNETT: What my amendment does is simply...in the committee it said that...a death occurs on or after January 1, 2000, my amendment would simply change it from "on or after January 1, 2001", it simply gives it a...as we're...conversation with Senator Bromm, it simply gives the enactment of a year later.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. There are several lights on. You can tell me whether you want to address the Hartnett amendment or the committee amendments. Senator Hartnett, your light is next. Senator Hartnett waives off. Senator Wickersham. Senator Wickersham waives off. Senator Chambers. Senator Chambers, did you wish to talk to the amendment?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, turn around, Senator Smith, stop harassing me. (Laugh) When I look at what this bill is attempting to do in its original form, I am 100 percent in favor of it. However, these delays do cause me some amount of difficulty, and many bills that come before us remind me of songs, I'm not going to sing. But if I were about to croak, and I became aware of this legislation, somebody in my family would probably stand over me and sing: "hang on Sloopy, Sloopy, hang on". That's all I'm going to say on this particular amendment at this time. I want to hear the discussion to see why it's necessary to put off the effective date of the bill until 2001. But before I take my seat, let me ask Senator Hartnett a question, because that may clear up everything.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Hartnett, will you respond, please?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hartnett, under your amendment, if it's adopted, nothing in the bill will take effect prior to January 1, 2001?