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at this point in time for him to explain why we're going to do that.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes. Thank you, Mr. President, members. This is on the natural gas study that Senator Hartnett introduced. It was a bill that came to our committee. If we recall, it was \$50,000 of General Fund, \$50,000 of Severance Tax Fund to fund this study over the next two years. Because this LB 805A did not have an emergency clause, which of course takes effect...would take effect immediately, LB 805A actually takes place 90 days after we adjourn, which would be approximately September 1. But in the bill it says the transfer would occur on July 10, 1999, this transfer of money to the Legislative Council for the funding of the study. This amendment that we had...we'd call back, changes that date from July 10 to '99 to September 10 of '99, which then brings it in...into line with the bill, which takes effect September 1. In other words, we can't legally transfer the money July 10 as the bill says, because it's not in effect till roughly September 1. So this corrects that date, makes it September 10...September 10, yes, instead of July 10 that's in the bill, and then brings all of these dates into compliance with each other. That's the intent, and I would urge your return and adoption. And I'll answer questions.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Discussion? Senator Kristensen waives closing. The question is a motion to return LB 805A for specific amendment. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill is returned to Select File. Senator Kristensen, you're recognized to open on your motion. Senator Kristensen yields to Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I just, very briefly, changed the date to September 10, which now says July 10. Just delays it 60 days so it brings it into compliance. Thank you.