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you'd be agreeable to that.

SENATOR TYSON: Okay. Mr. President, I am certainly agreeable to that. I think that Senator Bromm has it right. Is this permissible?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: We'll withdraw your amendment and refile it.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you, sir.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment is offered by Senator Bromm. This is AM1430, Senator. (AM1430, Legislative Journal page 1680.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Bromm, you're recognized to open on AM1430.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. Let me give the body a little reminder, I guess, of where we left this on General File. We did...we did some things in General File. We advanced the bill. The bill basically contains two major subject matters and one is increased...certain increased penalties for those who are repeat offenders, second, third, fourth and so on offenders of DWI or DUI violations. And the other major component is what is commonly referred to as the open container component. As a result of the discussion on General File and also as a result of some rather extensive discussions between our office and the Department of Roads personnel and the federal government with respect to the provisions contained in the bill, and you'll recall that there is an effect on our highway funding of approximately \$2.3 million per year with each of these subject areas, the open container subject area and the...the repeat offender, DUI offender provision. There's an effect of about \$2.3 million per year in highway construction funds. So as a result of those discussions, AM1430 addresses two concerns that I think the Legislature had on General File. And the third issue is a federal concern. In response to the General File floor debate, we have added a definition of alcoholic beverage which is a...is verbatim a definition which complies with