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no reason for a three-mile limit to exist. Wherever you build in Douglas County outside of some of the other six incorporated cities or villages, of course, where their mile limits exist or half-mile limits, whatever they might be, the regulations and requirements are the same. As the city annexes, and the county has never interfered with an annexation by the city of Omaha, there was no fear that when it's annexed the codes and ordinances in place to protect the minimum standards necessary by codes and ordinances are, in fact, in place. It's inappropriate for us to...to allow this to continue to happen. Why should people living in a three-mile limit be governed by people they can't vote for just so there...somebody can claim there has to be some kind of planning and zoning which really isn't necessary and only duplicates what now exists. It concerns me very much. I've talked about this in the past. I haven't pursued it much but it's one of those important issues in my district that are maybe in some of yours as well. We certainly don't want to cause anybody any misery or trouble but, on the other hand, this amendment would have provided that every five years people that have permits to dump would at least have to renew those permits and make sure that standards are met to provide for the environment and for the safe existence of neighbors and friends that live around that particular dump. So for what it's worth, I understand what we discussed so far about germaneness. I agree, along with the people that gave me this amendment to pursue on the floor and, in fact, for our city councilman, that I should withdraw it. And I hope the lobbyists, who are hired by the company to make sure this didn't go, make a bundle of money.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: It is withdrawn. Next amendment.

CLERK: Senator Hilgert would move to amend with AM1693. (AM1693, Legislative Journal page 2179.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Hilgert, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you. This legalizes the electronic pickle machines at any liquor...just kidding (laugh) as far as a Christmas tree. This actually...this amendment comes from a conversation I had with Senator Peterson, Chris Peterson, and we made an agreement and I talked about the part that we put in