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that, Senator Chambers, I just threw that out there for a little conversation with it. And with that, I will withdraw that amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Senator Schmitt, if I may, Senator, the next amendment, AM2573, I had a note you wanted to withdraw that already, Senator.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Correct.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Schmitt, I believe the next amendment is by yourself, AM2967, Senator. (Legislative Journal page 1254.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schmitt, to open on your amendment.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Thank you, Mr. President, members. This here is just an amendment that...page 1, line 17, strike "Each" and insert "Except for marinas which offer motor fuel for sale, each". And all this does is basically exempt the marinas that sell fuel for the boats on the lakes, and would just ask you to adopt that amendment so that people that want to use "nonethanol" fuel in their motorboats and water craft will be able to. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schmitt. You've heard the opening on AM2967 to the committee amendments to LB 1234. Those wishing to speak are Senator Schrock. Senator Schrock, you're recognized to speak.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm going to support the Schmitt amendment which would exempt marinas. Some of those marinas only have one fuel tank. I'm not ready to place this burden, because of the perception out there that so many people have portrayed about the bad effects of ethanol. I can tell you that Minnesota, the state of I don't know how many lakes, they burn ethanol in their marine boats, their vehicles or whatever you want to call them. They don't have a choice, unless they carry it in a five gallon container.