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establishment is refusing to comply with the Clean Indoor Air Act by posting information, by asking customers to refrain from smoking in certain areas, this would allow that to happen. This will help not only at the state level, but at the local level, local police departments and health departments. Instead of going in and trying to cite a smoker who may have been there and left by the time the problems have come to their attention, this will allow them to have some teeth in going to the establishment. And the committee amendment will reflect that. This is a bill that came out four years ago as part of the no smoking in restaurant bill that was defeated in 1999. However, this provision was noncontroversial at that time. It was also supported this time unanimously by the committee. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHIMEK PRESIDING

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Thompson. The Chair will recognize Senator Byars to open on the committee amendments. (AM0042, Legislative Journal page 370.)

SENATOR BYARS: Senator Schimek. I think Senator Thompson did a very good job of explaining. The committee amendment becomes the bill. There was a strong feeling within the committee that the bill as brought to the committee by Senator Thompson basically just reinforced some things that were already in statute. And the committee amendment basically expands the scope of enforcement, strikes all but Section 12 of the original bill. And basically that expands the scope of 71-5713 and enjoin violations of actions in 71-5707. So fairly straightforward. What's left in the bill is enforcement. And I would encourage you to pass the committee amendments.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Byars. You've heard the introduction of the committee amendments. Is there...there is discussion. Senator Janssen to speak on the committee amendments. Senator Janssen, did you wish to speak on the committee amendments?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Yes. Thank you, Senator Schimek, members of the Legislature. If I could visit with Senator Byars just a little bit on the committee amendment, please.