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however, bring under the act some establishments, such as pharmacies, that sell certain types of specialty foods that have little risk...little safety risk, and such food sales are not a significant part of the business. The committee amendment recognized that businesses that sell only foods in hermetically sealed containers also present little safety risk. And therefore, the amendment also continues to exempt businesses that sell only these items as well. Basically, that is the amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I understand...Senator Kremer, you had filed an amendment, Senator, but I understand you want to not offer that at this time, and take it up on Select File?

SENATOR KREMER: Yes. The pharmacies had some concern over that. And we will withdraw that amendment. And that's the one I started to read. But we will refile that on Select File. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn. Discussion of the committee amendments. Senator Cunningham, did you wish to discuss the committee amendments?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. I just stand up in support of the amendments and the bill. The grocery industry also is in support of this. There is a fee increase involved, but they feel it's necessary for the continued safety of the food in Nebraska. And they've had a part in the adoption of these codes, and are 100 percent behind this bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Cunningham. Further discussion on committee amendments. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. Yes, I would reiterate Senator Cunningham's remarks. You know, the food inspectors that we have in this state do a fantastic job. Occasionally you will get a little annoyed with them. But actually, they are doing what they need