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presented and there was several issues in the committee amendments that I just thought we better bring a little update to. LB 145 is the first part of it, and that's found in Sections 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, and 8; and LB 145 is a technical change adding the clarified language. Clarifies the owner of livestock waste control facilities are exempt from obtaining water storage permits, and so that's the gist of LB 145. And then we also added LB 123 in the committee amendments and that's got several parts to it, but the main thing, what it does is on water transfers it gives a lot more hoops to go through. It adds the words "deny" or "clarify;" that the director of Department of Natural Resources may use certain criteria to deny or approve the application. And then it allows the director to consider the following criteria, and there's seven criteria listed there on it. So that's the gist of LB 123. And then also my LB 619 is in Section 5, and then in Section 9 we have the LB 692, and this bill here adds the finding that LB 692 is...deals with Biomass (sic-Biopower) Steering Committee and then extends that date to 2008. Currently, that was sunsetted December 31 of 2003. So that's where we was. And then we had an amendment that Senator Schrock had to the committee amendments yesterday and I guess that kind of brings you up to date where we are right now.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Schrock, did you wish to be recognized for a brief update also? All right, thank you. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Jones would move to amend the committee amendments with AM0668. (Legislative Journal page 778.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: The Chair would recognize Senator Jones, to open on his amendment.

SENATOR JONES: Thank you, Lieutenant Governor, members of the body. This here just kind of clarifies things on my LB 619. It deals with two or three issues and I think the main thing we want to bring out in this amendment is kind of a technical change and brings everybody on the same page in dealing with municipal transfers and ag transfers and industrial transfers,