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March 28, 2003 LB 216, 250

33 ayes, 5 nays, 1 present not voting, 10 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. LB 216 is declared passed. Mr. Clerk, would you like to proceed to the next bill, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 250, a bill on Final Reading. Senator Kremer would move to return the bill for specific amendment, AM0736. (Legislative Journal page 848.)

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Senator Pedersen and members of the Legislature. I filed the motion to return LB 250 to enable consideration for AM0736, which was filed March 13 and appears on the Journal on page 848. The amendment makes necessary changes that were brought to attention by the Revisor's Office. Although the amendments are all technical corrections only, and there are no substantive changes being made, the Revisor's Office advised that they were beyond the scope that they could effect in E & R amendments. And it was brought to my attention after it had already advanced to Select File. So I apologize for the time it takes to do this. I'd like to use my time on this motion to explain the amendment. Then I will not explain it again should you...should it successfully be passed or brought back for the amendment itself. As been explained when we introduced the bill before, in several places the Nebraska Pure Food Act are being changed by LB 250 to make Nebraska law consistent with the recommendations of the 2001 Food Code for cold holding temperatures of potentially hazardous food. Under current law, such foods can be held up to ten days at 45 degrees. LB 250 adopts Food Code recommendations that potentially hazardous foods held at 45 degrees must be consumed or discarded within four days, and such foods be held at 41 degrees if the food is not consumed within four days. The amendment I am offering affects three sections of the bill, where the cold holding rule for the potentially hazardous foods is being incorporated in the Nebraska Pure Food Act. The amendment as was written has five parts. And it goes by page number, and I will address them by section number. The first