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funds. I would ask for its approval. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Jensen. You've heard the motion to advance LB 667A to E & R Initial. Open for discussion. Seeing no lights on, ... Senator Jensen waives the opportunity to close. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 667A to E & R Initial. All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. The question before the body is advancement of LB 667A to E & R Initial. Have you all voted who wish to? We're voting on the advancement of LB 667A, offered by Senator Jensen. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 667A.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion to advance LB 667A was successful. We now move to General File, 2003 senator priority bills. Mr. Clerk, where were we?

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 210 by Senator Bromm. (Read title.) The bill was introduced in January, referred to Business and Labor. Senator Bromm opened on the bill yesterday. Senator Vrtiska opened on the committee amendments. Senator Beutler had pending an amendment to the committee amendments, specifically AM1113, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Bromm, would you take a minute or so to brief us on where we stood on the bill?

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. Much as the Clerk said, we did have an opening on the bill. Senator Vrtiska opened on the committee amendments. We had a brief discussion. Senator Beutler has offered an amendment to the committee amendments which I believe is pending, AM1113. Once again, the bill is an effort to establish a line whereby agricultural producers can know if they need or are required to carry workers' compensation insurance or if they are not required to carry it under our statutes. They can always opt to carry it if they choose to do so. And I mentioned yesterday the recent Supreme Court case that absolutely says the Legislature needs to