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situation. Right now, the hearing is conducted in October to decide what the fee shall be. It's currently 7 cents per line. But currently, it's held in October and applied to begin in April. Right now that's the way it is. Their fiscal year doesn't fit with that schedule, though, so we're trying to...we simply change the hearing date to April 1 to set the fee, which is 7 cents, I said, per line, and it would become effective then July 1 of the following...of that year. Those are the bills. I would be glad to address any questions. As I said, they all came out of committee with no opposition from testifiers. There were no votes. It was a unanimous vote by the committee to advance the bill, and it's been out here on the floor, the LB 531 bill with those others amended into it, since February 14, I believe is the date. Glad to answer any questions. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. You've heard the opening on AM1981, offered by Senator Baker to LB 187. Open for debate on that amendment. Senator Bromm, followed by Senator Wehrbein. Senator Bromm.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Baker, I was just looking at the bills that you described and LB 321, which is the adjustments of the fees, according to the committee statement was killed by the committee with five votes. Is it in different form now than when it was killed, or what...I'm just asking why we're dealing with a bill that was killed by the committee?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, would you respond?

SENATOR BAKER: It's in the exact same form. As I recall, it seemed like it was the will of the committee to clean up our agenda a little bit. We actually "IPPed" the bill in committee. It came out exactly as it was drafted, as I recall.

SPEAKER BROMM: This amendment is exactly as it was drafted.

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SPEAKER BROMM: Okay. LB 425 was also killed by the committee.