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SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. The amendment has been adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, the...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Clerk, next motion.

CLERK: ...next amendment I have, excuse me, is by Senator Chambers. Senator Chambers would move to amend this component of the committee amendments. (FA1526, Legislative Journal page 877.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, to open on FA1526.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we're moving with such alacrity, or speed, that it almost makes me break into a song that Frankie Laine sang, called "Mule Train." He'd say, mule train, and then he'd holler and crack a whip, and he'd say, clippety cloppin' over mountain chain, and went on and on. Seems as though they'll never stop, clippety clop, clippety clop, clippety clippety clippety clippety, clippety cloppin' along. That's just to kind of add a little zest to our proceedings this morning. And it will also give time for the amendment to get on the gadget, if you need it. But here is what the amendment does. On page 5, in line 27, on page 6, in line 5, and on page 14, in line 27, I'm dealing with the word "cancelled," where the "l" is doubled. I stated the other day, as a forerunner to offering this amendment, that the British will...when they want to add "ed" to the word "cancel" they will double the "l," and when they want to add "ing" they double the "l." In the U.S. of A., when they want to add "ed" they just add "ed," no extra "l." When they want to add "ing" to "cancel," they just add "ing," not an extra "l." It's like the British put extra words in the word "Worcestershire," and other words such as that. They've always been wasteful, and especially with other people's goods. I would suggest that if you want to seem cosmopolitan and spell this word the way the British do, leave it with the double "l." But you would have to go to page 10, line 12, in the existing law, where "canceled" is spelled with one "l." So whichever way you decide to do it,