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CLERK: Mr. President, FA1508, a component of the committee amendments. I think, Senator, it's Sections 31...30, 31, 93, 94, 95, 96, relating to LB 830. (Legislative Journal pages 1088-1092.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is LB 830. It's a cleanup bill for the Department of Health and Human Services. There's three sections. One changes the description of water to fluid as something that's being injected into the underground water reservoir. Section 2 adds a new section that requires air sparge wells to be registered by July 1, 2005. Air sparge wells are wells that are used to clean up contamination. And it defines an illegal well as one that has been constructed after August 1, 1986, and is not in compliance with standards under the act. Section 4 adds an additional requirement for a water well to be considered inactive. This section adds a new three-part section which requires that all entrances and discharge piped into the water well be effectively sealed to prevent the entrance of contaminants. And Section 6 allows the department to inspect decommissioned water wells. The department has always had standards, but lacked the authority to inspect. I would ask for your advancement of FA1508.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. You've heard the opening on FA1508, the sixth component of the divided committee amendments. Open for discussion. Open for discussion on FA1508. Seeing no lights on, Senator Schrock; he waives closing. The question before the body is adoption of the sixth division of the divided committee amendments, FA1508. All in favor of the motion vote aye, opposed nay. The question before the body is division six of the divided committee amendments to LB 962. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of FA1508.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. The amendment has been adopted. Mr. Clerk, next component.