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ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I do have committee amendments from the Urban Affairs Committee.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Let's see. Senator Friend, to open on the committee amendments.

SENATOR FRIEND: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, the committee got together, discussed the bill. The proposed committee amendment is intended to clarify precisely what municipalities would be authorized to permit under the discretionary authority being granted by the bill, LB 7. The ordinances being authorized would grant permits to pedestrians, by organization or name, who are over 18 years of age, to clarify the current prohibition against minors, if you will, and participating in passing the boot, since minors could be anything from 17 to 21 years of age, depending on the statute or the function. Further, the permission being granted would be limited by time and place. And it would permit the pedestrians soliciting for their organization to enter only specified roadways at specified locations and at specified times. And finally, it specifically restricts the entry upon the roadways for soliciting contributions to approaching vehicles that are stopped on the roadway by traffic control devices or traffic control signals, as defined in Section 60-670 and Section 60-671. And that...obviously, that would mean stop signs or traffic lights. The amendment specifically reads, on page 2, you're striking lines 11 and 12 and inserting, "pedestrians over the age of eighteen to enter one or more roadways at specified times and locations and approach vehicles when stopped by traffic control devices or traffic control signals for the purpose of soliciting contributions which are to be." And with that, I would ask for the adoption of AM0037, the committee amendments, and the advancement of LB 7. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Friend. Mr. Clerk, is there an amendment to the committee amendments?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Baker would move to amend the committee amendments with AM0308. (Legislative