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SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. This amendment is very simple and straightforward. There's a portion of the bill as it exists in the committee amendment now that had an implementation date July 1 of 2006 for the surcharge on prepaid cell phones. They're becoming more and more of a factor in the market. Your "big box" retailers are selling a lot of these now where you can go in and purchase a cell phone with \$50 worth of time on it. Quite frankly, none of the states working on this issue have a viable solution. So this amendment, AM2775, extends the requirement that they pay into the surcharge fund for one year. And the date now is July 1 of 2007. Within the committee amendment, it was July 1, 2006. I would ask for adoption of this amendment. We'll try and...staff will work on this between now and then with the prepaid phone suppliers and hopefully the other states and we can come to some agreement on how we're going to handle it. But that's all the amendment does. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, are you finished?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Open for discussion on AM2775. Senator Baker, there are no lights on. He waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of AM2775 to the committee amendments to LB 1222. All in favor of the motion vote aye; opposed, nay. Voting on adoption of the Baker amendment, AM2775. It amends the committee amendments. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: AM2775 has been adopted.

CLERK: Senator Fischer would move to amend the committee amendments. (AM2916, Legislative Journal pages 1237-1238.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Fischer, you're recognized to open on your motion.