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signify by saying aye. AYE. Opposed nay/ The ayes have it.  
The bill is adopted.

THE CLERK:

Page 11, Cal. 956, File 1307, Favorable report of the joint standing committee on Transportation on Substitute S.B. 411. An Act Concerning the Use of Studded Tires.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Mondani.

SENATOR MONDANI:

Mr. President, I move acceptance of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill.

THE CHAIR:

Will you remark?

SENATOR MONDANI:

Mr. President, this bans the use of studded tires on the highway between October 30 and, excuse me April 30 and Oct. 15. The Department of Transportation has found that thwn the warm summer months come the studs tend to add a bad effect on the highways. It does not ban them on emergency vehicles. They are specifically exempt from the law.

I urge passage of the bill.

THE CHAIR:

The question is on passage of the bill. Will you remark further? If not all those in favor signify by saying aye. AYE. Opposed nay? The ayes have it. The bill is passed.

THE CLERK:

Cal. 597, File 1509, Favorable report of the joint standing committee on Transportation Substitute S.B. 439, An Act Concerning Weight of Vehicles and Trailers Engaged in Construction Work.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Mondani/

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COMPANIES.

Mr. Lynch: William Lynch, Legislative Administration Adviser to Bureau of Highway Department of Transportation. The Department supports this bill since it makes more realistic the bond requirements that are in effect. In the past 5 years the insurance requirements have climbed to a point now where they require a minimum of a quarter and a half a million dollars when work is being done in the highway. In view of the awards that the courts are awarding these days we feel this is not an unrealistic figure, when you consider the damage that can take place on a highway, its not unrealistic. The way the law reads now a company with a paid in capitol and surplus of a hundred and fifty thousand dollars does not have to supply insurance. Its our feeling that this should be upgraded to the five hundred thousand dollar level and a company with less then this amount of paid in capitol and surplus should be in order to protect the public, required to obtain insurance. For this reason we support the bill and recommend and ask for a favorable.

Mr. Carroll: When you say public service are you referring to contractors?

Mr. Lynch: We're talking about only water, gas, electric, telephone, utility companies. Most utility companies I think you'll find would remove this requirement, the only exception being realistic, would probably be the small water companies, and it might impose a little bit of a burden on them when you consider the protection that is afforded the public its well worth the added expense.

Rep. O'Dea: Any other questions? Thank you Mr. Lynch. No questions? Anyone else in favor?

Mr. Carroll: Ted Carroll of Motor Vehicles. We'd like to go on record as being in favor of this bill.

Rep. O'Dea: Anyone in favor? Anyone opposed the bill? Hearing is closed on 258. The next bill is S.B. 411 AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF STUDED TIRES. Anyone in favor of this bill?

Mr. Laraia: Chairman, members of the Committee, Roco Laraia, Department of Transportation to speak on S.B. 411, AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF STUDED TIRES. The Department of Transportation has experienced some additional pavement wear which it felt related to the use of studded tires. At this time we do not feel that the addition wear would dictate a prohibition of the use of this device, but certainly to minimize any difficulties the prohibition as proposed in this bill shoud be considered. For the reasons state above it is respectfully requested that this bill receive a favorable report from this Committee.

Rep. O'Dea: Thank you Mr. Laraia. Anyone else in favor of the bill on the use of studded tires. Anyone opposed to the bill? The hearing

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is closed on 411. The next bill is S.B. 540 THE BRANFORD TOLL STATION I-95. Anyone in favor? Your comments already applies Mr. Fitzgibbons. Anyone else opposed to the bill? The hearing in closed on this bill. The next bill is 1009 AN ACT CONCERNING THE INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC LIGHT IN THE TOWN OF LISBON AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 138 AND 169. Anyone in favor? Any opposition? The hearing is closed on this bill. The Transportation hearing is closed for today. Okay is everyone in favor of S.B. 1109 AN ACT CONCERNING ISSUANCE OF A TOLL PLATE FOR ALL STATIONS ON THE CONNECTICUT TURNPIKE OR ANY OTHER TOLL ROAD NOT NOW ISSUING SUCH TOLL PLATES. Anyone in favor? Anyone opposed?

Mr. Carroll: Ed Carroll representing the Department of Motor Vechiles we're opposed to S.B. 1109. It is estimated as a result to the increased work load this measure if inacted would cost the Department of Motor Vechiles 250,000 dollars annualy. This is based on a three fold increase in the number of plates to be issued. Thank you very much.

Rep. O'Dea: Anyone oppose the bill? The hearing is closed on 1109. The Transportation hearing is over for today.