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2003 SENATE TRANSPORTATION

SB 2234

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2234

Senate Transportation Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 1-31-03

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Committee Clerk Signature <i>May K Morrow</i>			

Minutes:

**Chairman Senator Thomas Trenbeath** opened the hearing on SB 2234.

**Senator Bercier:** (District 9) Introduced SB 2234 on behalf of those who have concerns with abandoned vehicles found on their property. If a vehicle is stolen and then abandoned on private property, this bill would allow for a method where the owner would be notified. He could then retrieve his car and possibly avoid paying an impoundment fee.

**Senator Nething:** This puts the burden on the innocent person.

**Senator Bercier:** If it was my property I would take the first step to let somebody know.

(Meter 4600) Discussion about property owners finding abandoned vehicles on private property and having them towed away. If a vehicle is abandoned on a city street this would not apply because it would be on public property.

**John Olson:** (ND Peace Officers Association) Neutral leaning towards supporting it. The bill is okay but needs an amendment. (See attached.) If there is a requirement to notify law

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Senate Transportation Committee

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enforcement the requirement should specifically state when that call has to be made. The amendment says the call needs to be made before the vehicle is removed.

**Senator Espgaard:** Doesn't the impound agency notify the police department when they impound a car?

**John Olson:** I think they probably do, but I don't know if that is a requirement that they perform under the law.

**Senator Nething:** Do you have any idea how big a problem this is?

**John Olson:** I'd be guessing if I told you. The highway patrol is taking care of those vehicles located in their jurisdiction and investigating any vehicle that is pulled to the side of the road. The need is probably more in the rural areas than on the highways.

The hearing on SB 2234 was closed.

(Meter 778 Side B) **Senator Espgaard** motioned a **Do Not Pass**. Seconded by **Senator Taylor**.

Roll call vote 6-0-0. **Passed**. Floor carrier is **Senator Taylor**.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2234

Page 1, line 7, replace "if" with "before"

Renumber accordingly

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Date: 1-31-03  
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
 BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2234

Senate TRANSPORTATION Committee

Check here for Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken Do Not Pass

Motion Made By Senator Espegard Seconded By Senator Taylor

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Thomas Trenbeath, Chair	✓		Senator Dennis Bercier	✓	
Senator Duaine Espegard, V. Chair	✓		Senator Ryan Taylor	✓	
Senator Duane Mutch	✓				
Senator Dave Nething	✓				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Senator Taylor

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

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**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)**  
January 31, 2003 11:36 a.m.

Module No: SR-19-1429  
Carrier: Taylor  
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**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**  
SB 2234: Transportation Committee (Sen. Trenbeath, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT**  
**PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2234 was placed on the  
Eleventh order on the calendar.

(2) DESK, (3) COMM

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