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LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE SECOND SESSION

THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska Thursday, March 6, 2014

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by student Vicar Pastor Gina Metze, Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, West Point.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., Senator Gloor presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Howard and Wallman who were excused; and Senators Christensen, Conrad, Karpisek, Kintner, Lautenbaugh, Pirsch, Scheer, and Sullivan who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the thirty-seventh day was approved.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 191A. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 30 ayes, 0 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 10 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 690A. Title read. Considered.

Senator Bolz moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 28 ayes, 0 nays, and 21 not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 25 ayes, 7 nays, 7 present and not voting, and 10 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1016A. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 31 ayes, 0 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 9 excused and not voting.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 920. Senator Coash offered his amendment, AM2098, found on page 702.

Senator Coash offered the following amendment to his amendment: FA239

Amend AM2098

On Page 7, line 19 after the 2nd "of" insert "guardian and conservatorship" before the word "fees".

The Coash amendment was adopted with 30 ayes, 0 nays, 10 present and not voting, and 9 excused and not voting.

The Coash amendment, AM2098, as amended, was adopted with 29 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 9 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 920A. Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 901. ER143, found on page 679, was adopted.

Senator Bolz withdrew her amendment, AM2107, found on page 698.

Senator Bolz offered the following amendment: AM2233

(Amendments to E and R amendments, ER143)

- 1 1. Insert the following new sections:
- 2 Sec. 2. <u>Sections 2 to 6 of this act shall be known and</u>
- 3 may be cited as the Nebraska Mental Health First Aid Training Act.
- Sec. 3. The Legislature finds that:
- 5 (1) National statistics show that one in four Americans
- 6 will face a mental illness in his or her lifetime;
- (2) Mental health first aid builds an understanding
- 8 of how mental illness affects Nebraskans, provides an overview
- 9 of common treatments, and teaches basic skills for providing
- 10 assistance to a person who may be developing symptoms or
- 11 experiencing a crisis;
- 12 (3) A mental health first aid program is an education
- 13 program recognized on the Substance Abuse and Mental Health
- 14 Services Administration's National Registry of Evidence-based
- 15 Programs and Practices; and

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      (4) That the Behavioral Health Education Center
    administered by the University of Nebraska Medical Center has
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    conducted a series of mental health first aid training courses
    and that the experience of providing such courses may be utilized
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    regarding the implementation of a mental health first aid training
    program as prescribed by the Nebraska Mental Health First Aid
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    Training Act.
      Sec. 4. For purposes of the Nebraska Mental Health First
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    Aid Training Act:
      (1) Behavioral health regions means the behavioral health
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    regions established pursuant to section 71-807; and
      (2) Mental health first aid means the help provided
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    to a person who is experiencing a mental health or substance
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    abuse problem or in a mental health crisis before appropriate
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    professional assistance or other supports are secured.
      Sec. 5. (1) The Division of Behavioral Health of the
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    Department of Health and Human Services shall establish a mental
    health first aid training program, using contracts through the
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    behavioral health regions, to help the public identify and
   understand the signs of a mental illness or substance abuse
    problem or a mental health crisis and to provide the public with
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    skills to help a person who is developing or experiencing a mental
   health or substance abuse problem or a mental health crisis and
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    to de-escalate crisis situations if needed. The training program
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   shall provide an interactive mental health first aid training
    course administered by the state's regional behavioral health
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    authorities. Instructors in the training program shall be certified
    by a national authority for Mental Health First Aid USA or a
    similar organization. The training program shall work cooperatively
    with local entities to provide training for individuals to become
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    instructors.
      (2) The mental health first aid training program shall
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    be designed to train individuals to accomplish the following
    objectives as deemed appropriate considering the trainee's age:
      (a) Help the public identify, understand, and respond to
    the signs of mental illness and substance abuse;
      (b) Emphasize the need to reduce the stigma of mental
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    illness; and
      (c) Assist a person who is believed to be developing or
    has developed a mental health or substance abuse problem or who is
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    believed to be experiencing a mental health crisis.
      Sec. 6. The Division of Behavioral Health of the
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    Department of Health and Human Services shall ensure that
10 evaluative criteria are established which measure the efficacy
11 of the training program, including trainee feedback, with the
12 objective of helping the public identify, understand, and respond
13 to the signs of mental illness and alcohol and substance abuse.
14 The behavioral health regions shall submit an aggregated annual
15 report electronically to the Legislature on trainee demographics
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- 16 and outcomes of the established criteria.
- Sec. 7. The behavioral health regions shall offer
- services to and work with agencies and organizations, including, 18
- but not limited to, schools, universities, colleges, the State 19
- 20 Department of Education, the Department of Veterans' Affairs, law
- enforcement agencies, and local health departments, to develop 21
- a program that offers grants to implement the Nebraska Mental
- Health First Aid Training Act in ways that are representative and
- inclusive with respect to the economic and cultural diversity of 24
- 25 this state.
- 26 Sec. 8. It is the intent of the Legislature to
- 27 appropriate one hundred thousand dollars annually to the Department
- of Health and Human Services to carry out the Nebraska Mental
- Health First Aid Training Act.
- 2. Renumber the remaining section accordingly.

The Bolz amendment was adopted with 26 ayes, 0 nays, 17 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 901A. Senator McGill offered the following amendment:

AM2225

- 1. Insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 2. There is hereby appropriated (1) \$100,000 from
- the General Fund for FY2014-15 and (2) \$100,000 from the General Fund for FY2015-16 for state aid to the Department of Health
- and Human Services, for Program 38, to aid in carrying out the
- provisions of Legislative Bill 901, One Hundred Third Legislature,
- Second Session, 2014.
- No expenditures for permanent and temporary salaries and
- per diems for state employees shall be made from funds appropriated
- in this section.

The McGill amendment was adopted with 26 ayes, 0 nays, 16 present and not voting, and 7 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 776. Senator Hadley offered his amendment, AM2114, found on page 747.

The Hadley amendment was adopted with 26 ayes, 0 nays, 16 present and not voting, and 7 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 844. Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1016. ER146, found on page 703, was adopted.

Senator Krist offered his amendment, AM2150, found on page 725.

The Krist amendment was adopted with 27 ayes, 1 nay, 14 present and not voting, and 7 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 699. ER147, found on page 704, was adopted.

Senator Larson offered his amendment, AM2162, found on page 749.

The Larson amendment was adopted with 30 ayes, 0 nays, 12 present and not voting, and 7 excused and not voting.

Senator McGill offered the following motion:

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Suspend the rules, Rule 7, Sec. 3(d), to permit consideration of AM2234.

The McGill motion to suspend the rules prevailed with 30 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 8 excused and not voting.

Senator McGill offered her amendment, AM2234, found on page 758.

The McGill amendment was adopted with 29 ayes, 0 nays, 12 present and not voting, and 8 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

RESOLUTIONS

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 472. Introduced by Kolowski, 31.

WHEREAS, the George Russell Middle School MathCounts team placed second in the team standings at the Eastern Nebraska Chapter MathCounts competition; and

WHEREAS, Owen Gong, a member of the George Russell Middle School MathCounts team, placed first individually at the Eastern Nebraska Chapter MathCounts competition; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates the George Russell Middle School MathCounts team and Owen Gong on their achievements.
- 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the George Russell Middle School MathCounts team and Owen Gong.

Laid over.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 473. Introduced by Hadley, 37.

WHEREAS, Brennan M. Young of Kearney, Nebraska, has completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Although many options are available to demonstrate proficiency in these areas, a number of specific skills are required to advance through the ranks of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life, and finally Eagle Scout. Throughout his scouting experience, Brennan has learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn 21 merit badges, 12 of which are in required areas, and complete a community service project approved by the troop and the scout council; and

WHEREAS, only a small percentage of the boys who join the Boy Scouts of America achieve the rank of Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, Brennan, through his hard work and perseverance, has joined other high achievers who are Eagle Scouts, such as astronauts, political and industry leaders, artists, scientists, and athletes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates Brennan M. Young on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.
 - 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Brennan M. Young.

Laid over.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Education

LEGISLATIVE BILL 129. Placed on General File.

The Education Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointments(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Jim Hain - Board of Educational Lands and Funds

Aye: 8 Avery, Cook, Davis, K. Haar, Kolowski, Scheer, Seiler, Sullivan. Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

The Education Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointments(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Mary Lauritzen - Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education Dwayne Probyn - Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education Lori L. Warner - Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education William "Scott" Wilson - Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

Aye: 8 Avery, Cook, Davis, K. Haar, Kolowski, Scheer, Seiler, Sullivan. Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

The Education Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointments(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Jess D. Zeiss - Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges

Aye: 8 Avery, Cook, Davis, K. Haar, Kolowski, Scheer, Seiler, Sullivan. Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

The Education Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointments(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Chad W. Buckendahl - Technical Advisory Committee for Statewide Assessment

Frank Harwood - Technical Advisory Committee for Statewide Assessment

Aye: 8 Avery, Cook, Davis, K. Haar, Kolowski, Scheer, Seiler, Sullivan. Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

(Signed) Kate Sullivan, Chairperson

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1014. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 27 ayes, 0 nays, 16 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 986. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM2041, found on page 609, was offered.

Senator Watermeier offered his amendment, AM2060, found on page 665, to the committee amendment.

SPEAKER ADAMS PRESIDING

SENATOR GLOOR PRESIDING

The Watermeier amendment was adopted with 32 ayes, 0 nays, 13 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Senator Hadley withdrew his amendment, AM1750, found on page 406.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 34 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 34 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 974. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM2025, found on page 609, was adopted with 28 ayes, 0 nays, 16 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 33 ayes, 0 nays, 12 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 768. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM1945, found on page 589, was offered.

Senator Larson offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

AM2219

- (Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM1945)
- 1 1. Insert the following section:
- 2 Sec. 10. (1) The Nebraska Brand Committee shall notify
- 3 persons who were registered as a registered feedlot under section
- 4 54-1,120 or a registered dairy under section 54-1,122.01 at any
- 5 time during the period beginning November 1, 2006, through and
- 6 including the operative date of this section of the right of such
- 7 person to claim a refund of excess fees paid during such period.
- 8 The notification shall include a refund claim form developed by
- 9 the brand committee with instructions for completing the form,
- 10 including calculating the refund, and delivering the form to the
- 11 brand committee.
- 12 (2) The amount of the refund for a claimant under
- 13 subsection (1) of this section is the amount of registration fees
- that would have been paid during the period beginning November
- 15 1, 2006, through and including the operative date of this section
- 16 calculated based upon a fee of six hundred fifty dollars per
- 17 thousand head, subtracted from the amount of the registration fees

- 18 actually paid by the claimant to the brand committee pursuant to section 54-1,120 or 54-1,122.01 during such period.
- 20 (3) The brand committee shall approve a claim for refund
- 21 upon verification that the claimant had held a valid registration
- 22 certificate at any time during the period beginning November 1,
- 1 2006, through and including the operative date of this section
- 2 and that the claimant had paid all registration fees due pursuant
- 3 to section 54-1,120 or 54-1,122.01 during that period or portion thereof.
 - (4) The brand committee shall refund all approved claims
- 6 in the form of a refund payment to the claimant, or in the form
- 7 of a credit against the registered feedlot fees or registered dairy
- 8 fees due by the claimant during the period beginning October 1,
- 9 2014, until October 1, 2015, by deducting the amount of the refund
- from the registration fees due. If the amount of an approved refund
- 11 claim exceeds the registration fees otherwise due during that
- 12 period, the excess amount shall carry forward and be applied as a
- 13 credit against registration fees due during the period beginning
- 14 October 1, 2015, until October 1, 2016.
 - (5) Refund payments to claimants under this section shall
- 16 be made from the Nebraska Brand Inspection and Theft Prevention
- 17 Fund.

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- 2. On page 1, line 5, strike "section 4" and insert
- 19 "sections 4 and 10".
- 20 3. On page 14, line 14, strike "11, 12, and 14" and
- 21 insert "10, 12, 13, and 15".
- 4. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

Pending.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducers

Senator Coash asked unanimous consent to add his name as cointroducer to LB660. No objections. So ordered.

Senator Cook asked unanimous consent to add her name as cointroducer to LB1014. No objections. So ordered.

VISITORS

Visitors to the Chamber were Mandy Mandachit from Lincoln and Altynai Melisova from Kyrgyzstan; 38 ninth- through twelfth-grade students and teacher from Chadron; 27 members from Pregnancy Care Centers from across the state; and 42 high school students from Waverly.

RECESS

At 11:53 a.m., on a motion by Senator Karpisek, the Legislature recessed until 1:30 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Legislature reconvened at 1:30 p.m., Senator Krist presiding.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Howard, Seiler, and Wallman who were excused; and Senators Ashford, Bolz, Christensen, Conrad, B. Harr, and Lautenbaugh who were excused until they arrive.

SENATOR GLOOR PRESIDING

RESOLUTION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 474. Introduced by Kolowski, 31.

WHEREAS, Harrison Phillips, a senior at Millard West High School, is a three-time state wrestling champion and an all-state football player with a 3.8 grade-point average; and

WHEREAS, Harrison Phillips has received a football scholarship to Stanford University as a result of his hard work and dedication both on the field and in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates Harrison Phillips for his accomplishments and extends best wishes for his continued success.
 - 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Harrison Phillips.

Laid over.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 768. Senator Larson renewed his amendment, AM2219, found in this day's Journal, to the committee amendment.

Senator Larson withdrew his amendment.

Committee AM1945, found on page 589 and considered in this day's Journal, was renewed.

The committee amendment was adopted with 29 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 9 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 33 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 10 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 854. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 29 ayes, 0 nays, 10 present and not voting, and 10 excused and not voting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Transportation and Telecommunications

LEGISLATIVE BILL 84. Placed on General File with amendment. AM2246

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following
- 2 new sections:
- Section 1. Section 60-6,356, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 4 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 60-6,356 (1) An all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type
- 6 vehicle shall not be operated on any controlled-access highway with
- more than two marked traffic lanes. The , and the crossing of
- any controlled-access highway with more than two marked traffic
- 9 lanes shall not be permitted except as provided in subsection (9)
- 10 of this section. Subsections (2), (3), and (5) through (8) of
- 11 this section authorize and apply to operation of an all-terrain
- 12 vehicle or a utility-type vehicle only on a highway other than a
- 13 controlled-access highway with more than two marked traffic lanes.
 - (2) An all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle
- 15 may be operated in accordance with the operating requirements of 16 subsection (3) of this section:
 - (a) Outside the corporate limits of a city, village,
- 18 or unincorporated village if incidental to the vehicle's use for
- agricultural purposes;
- (b) Within the corporate limits of a city or village
- 21 if authorized by the city or village by ordinance adopted in
- 22 accordance with this section; or
- (c) Within an unincorporated village if authorized by the 1 county board of the county in which the unincorporated village is
- 2 located by resolution in accordance with this section.
- (3) An all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle may
- 4 be operated as authorized in subsection (2) of this section when
- 5 such operation occurs only between the hours of sunrise and sunset.
- 6 Any person operating an all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type
- vehicle as authorized in subsection (2) of this section shall have
- 8 a valid Class O operator's license or a farm permit as provided
- 9 in section 60-4,126, shall have liability insurance coverage for
- 10 the all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle while operating
- 11 the all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle on a highway,
- 12 and shall not operate such vehicle at a speed in excess of thirty
- 13 miles per hour. The person operating the all-terrain vehicle or a
- 14 utility-type vehicle shall provide proof of such insurance coverage
- 15 to any peace officer requesting such proof within five days of such

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16 a request. When operating an all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle as authorized in subsection (2) of this section, the 18 headlight and taillight of the vehicle shall be on and the vehicle shall be equipped with a bicycle safety flag which extends not less 20 than five feet above ground attached to the rear of such vehicle. 21 The bicycle safety flag shall be triangular in shape with an area 22 of not less than thirty square inches and shall be day-glow in 23 color.

- (4) All-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles may 25 be operated without complying with subsection (3) of this section 26 on highways in parades which have been authorized by the State of Nebraska or any department, board, commission, or political subdivision of the state.
 - (5) Subject to subsection (1) of this section, the The crossing of a highway other than a controlled-access highway with more than two marked traffic lanes shall be permitted by an all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle without complying with subsection (3) of this section only if:
- (a) The crossing is made at an angle of approximately 8 ninety degrees to the direction of the highway and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing;
 - (b) The vehicle is brought to a complete stop before crossing the shoulder or roadway of the highway;
- (c) The operator yields the right-of-way to all oncoming 13 traffic that constitutes an immediate potential hazard;
 - (d) In crossing a divided highway, the crossing is made only at an intersection of such highway with another highway; and
 - (e) Both the headlight and taillight of the vehicle are on when the crossing is made.
- (6) All-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles may 19 be operated outside the corporate limits of any municipality by 20 electric utility personnel within the course of their employment 21 in accordance with the operation requirements of subsection (3) of 22 this section, except that the operation of the vehicle pursuant to 23 this subsection need not be limited to the hours between sunrise and sunset.
- (7) A city or village may adopt an ordinance authorizing 26 the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles within the corporate limits of the city or village if the operation 1 is in accordance with subsection (3) of this section. The city or village may place other restrictions on the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles within its corporate limits.
- (8) A county board may adopt a resolution authorizing the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles within any unincorporated village within the county if the operation is in accordance with subsection (3) of this section. The county may place other restrictions on the operation of all-terrain vehicles 10 and utility-type vehicles within the unincorporated village.

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11	(9) The crossing of a controlled-access highway with more				
12	than two marked traffic lanes shall be permitted by a utility-type				
13	vehicle if the operation is in accordance with the operation				
14	requirements of subsection (3) of this section and if the following				
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	requirements are met:				
16	(a) The crossing is made at an intersection that is				
17	controlled by a traffic control signal and is made in compliance				
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19	(b) The crossing at such intersection is specifically				
20	authorized as follows:				
21	(i) If such intersection is located within the corporate				
22	limits of a city or village, by ordinance of such city or village;				
23	(ii) If such intersection is located within an				
24	unincorporated village, by resolution of the county board of the				
25	county in which such unincorporated village is located; or				
26	(iii) If such intersection is located outside the				
27	corporate limits of a city or village and outside any				
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3	Sec. 2. Original section 60-6,356, Reissue Revised				
4	Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.				
	(Signed) Annette Dubas, Chairperson				
	Business and Labor				
	GISLATIVE BILL 949. Placed on General File with amendment. 12068				
1	1. Insert the following new section:				
2	Sec. 3. The following sum of money, or so much thereof as				
3	may be required, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund or				
4	from other funds as indicated in the state treasury, not otherwise				
5	appropriated, for the payment of workers' compensation claims which				
6	have been settled by the Attorney General in the Nebraska Workers'				
7	Compensation Court or in which court judgments have been entered				
8	and which require the approval of the Legislature for payment.				
9	\$150,000.00 for a workers' compensation claim, pay				
10	to Kathleen Roberts and Gregory Coffey, attorney, Friedman Law				
11	Offices, PC, 3800 Normal Boulevard, Suite 200, Lincoln, NE				
12	68501-2009, out of the Workers' Compensation Claims Revolving Fund.				
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15	For informational purposes only, the appropriation				
16	contained in this section and fund source:				
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18 GENERAL FUND 19 CASH FUND 20 REVOLVING FUND 21 TOTAL

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- 22 2. On page 2, after line 16 insert the following new 23 paragraph:
- 24 "\$250,000 for Tort Claim Number 2010-09761, against the
- State of Nebraska, pay to Berry Law Firm, 2650 North 48th Street, 1
- 2 Lincoln, NE 68504-3631, out of the General Fund.".
 - 3. On page 3, line 2, after "to" insert "Nicholas
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- Sampson and"; in lines 10 and 13 strike "\$1,217,752.67" and insert "\$1,467,752.67"; and after line 21 insert the following new 5 6 paragraph:
 - "\$575,000 for Tort Claim Number 2013-12765, against the
- 8 State of Nebraska, pay to Ruben Maravilla-Servin and Heldt and
- McKeone, P.O. Box 1050, 710 North Grant Street, Lexington, NE
- 68850-5050, out of the State Insurance Fund.". 10
 - 4. On page 4, line 2, after "to" insert "Progressive
- 12 Insurance, attention"; and in lines 11 and 12 strike "\$62,803.27"
- and insert "\$637,803.27". 13
- 5. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 997. Placed on General File with amendment. AM1880

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following
- 2 new sections:
- Section 1. Section 48-622.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:
- 48-622.01 (1) There is hereby created in the state
- 6 treasury a special fund to be known as the State Unemployment
- Insurance Trust Fund. All state unemployment insurance tax
- collected under sections 48-648 to 48-661, less refunds, shall be
- paid into the fund. Such money shall be held in trust for payment
- 10 of unemployment insurance benefits. Any money in the fund available
- for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer
- 12 pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
- 13 State Funds Investment Act, except that interest earned on money in
- 14 the fund shall be credited to the Nebraska Training and Support
- 15 Trust Fund through June 30, 2015, and thereafter to the Nebraska
- 16 Training and Support Cash Fund at the end of each calendar quarter.
 - (2) The commissioner shall have authority to determine
- 18 when and in what amounts withdrawals from the State Unemployment
- 19 Insurance Trust Fund for payment of benefits are necessary. Amounts
- 20 withdrawn for payment of benefits shall be immediately forwarded
- 21 to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States of America
- 22 to the credit of the state's account in the Unemployment Trust
- 23 Fund, provisions of law in this state relating to the deposit,
- administration, release, or disbursement of money in the possession
- or custody of this state to the contrary notwithstanding.
 - (3) If and when the state unemployment insurance tax
- ceases to exist as determined by the Governor, all money then in
- 5 the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund less accrued interest
- 6 shall be immediately transferred to the credit of the state's

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account in the Unemployment Trust Fund, provisions of law in
    this state relating to the deposit, administration, release, or
    disbursement of money in the possession or custody of this state
10 to the contrary notwithstanding. The determination to eliminate the
    state unemployment insurance tax shall be based on the solvency
12 of the state's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund and the
13 need for training of Nebraska workers. Accrued interest in the
   State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund shall be credited to the
15 Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund through June 30, 2015, and
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    thereafter to the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund.
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      (4) Upon certification from the commissioner that
18 disallowed costs by the United States Department of Labor for
   FY2007-08, FY2008-09, and FY2009-10, or any one of them, have
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20 been reduced to an amount certain by way of settlement or final
21 judgment, the State Treasurer shall transfer the amount of such
    settlement or final judgment from the State Unemployment Insurance
23 Trust Fund to the Employment Security Special Contingent Fund. The
24 total amount of such transfers shall not exceed $2,816,345. The
25 amount of the reappropriation of Federal Funds appropriated in
26 FY2004-05 under section 903(d) of the federal Social Security Act
    shall be reduced by the amount transferred.
      Sec. 2. Section 48-622.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative
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    Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:
      48-622.02 (1) Until July 1, 2015:
      (1) (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury
 5 a special fund to be known as the Nebraska Training and Support
   Trust Fund. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be
    invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska
    Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.
    All money deposited or paid into the fund is hereby appropriated
10 and made available to the commissioner. No expenditures shall
    be made from the fund without the written authorization of the
12 Governor upon the recommendation of the commissioner. Any interest
13 earned on money in the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund
14 shall be credited to the Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund;
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      (2) (b) Money in the Nebraska Training and Support
16 Trust Fund shall be used for (a) (i) administrative costs
    of establishing, assessing, collecting, and maintaining state
18 unemployment insurance tax liability and payments, (b)-(ii)
    administrative costs of creating, operating, maintaining, and
20 dissolving the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and the
21 Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund, (c) (iii) support
22 of public and private job training programs designed to train,
23 retrain, or upgrade work skills of existing Nebraska workers of
24 for-profit and not-for-profit businesses, (d)-(iv) recruitment of
    workers to Nebraska, (e) (v) training new employees of expanding
26 Nebraska businesses, (f)-(vi) the costs of creating a common web
    portal for the attraction of businesses and workers to Nebraska,
    and (g) (vii) payment of unemployment insurance benefits if
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- solvency of the state's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund and of the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund so require; and-(3) (c) There is hereby created within the Nebraska 5 Training and Support Trust Fund a separate account to be known as the Administrative Costs Reserve Account. Money shall be 6 allocated from the Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund to 8 the Administrative Costs Reserve Account in amounts sufficient to pay the anticipated administrative costs identified in subdivisions 10 (2)(a) through (g) subdivision (1)(b) of this section. The administrative costs determined to be applicable to creation and operation of the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and the 12 Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund shall be paid out of the 13 Administrative Costs Reserve Account. 14 (2) On and after July 1, 2015: 15 16 (a) The Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund is created. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be 17 18 invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment 19 20 Act. On July 1, 2015, the State Treasurer shall transfer any 21 money in the Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund to the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund. No expenditures shall be made from the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund without the written authorization of the Governor upon the recommendation of the commissioner. Any interest earned on money in the State <u>Unemployment Insurance</u> Trust Fund shall be credited to the Nebraska 27 Training and Support Cash Fund; (b) Money in the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund shall be used for (i) administrative costs of establishing, 2 assessing, collecting, and maintaining state unemployment insurance tax liability and payments, (ii) administrative costs of creating, operating, maintaining, and dissolving the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund, (iii) support of public and private job training programs designed to train, retrain, or upgrade work skills of existing Nebraska workers of for-profit and not-for-profit businesses, (iv) 10 recruitment of workers to Nebraska, (v) training new employees of expanding Nebraska businesses, (vi) the costs of creating a 12 common web portal for the attraction of businesses and workers to 13 Nebraska, and (vii) payment of unemployment insurance benefits if 14 solvency of the state's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund and 15 of the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund so require; and 16 (c) The Administrative Costs Reserve Account is created 17 within the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund. Money shall 18 be allocated from the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund to 19 the Administrative Costs Reserve Account in amounts sufficient to 20 pay the anticipated administrative costs identified in subdivision 21
- 21 (2)(b) of this section. 22 Sec. 3. Section 48-622.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 23 Nebraska, is amended to read:

- 24 48-622.03 (1) There is hereby created as of January
- 25 1, 1996, the Nebraska Worker Training Board consisting of seven
- 26 members appointed and serving for terms determined by the Governor 27 as follows:
 - (a) A representative of employers in Nebraska;
 - (b) A representative of employees in Nebraska;
 - 3 (c) A representative of the public;
 - (d) The Commissioner of Labor or a designee;
 - 5 (e) The Director of Economic Development or a designee;
 - (f) The Commissioner of Education or a designee; and
 - (g) The chairperson of the governing board of the
 - 8 Nebraska Community College Association or a designee.
 - (2) Beginning July 1, 1996, and annually thereafter,
- 10 the Governor shall appoint a chairperson for the board. The
- 11 chairperson shall be either the representative of the employers,
- 12 the representative of the employees, or the representative of the
- 13 public. 14 (3) E

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- (3) Beginning July 1, 1996, and annually thereafter
- 15 through June 30, 2015, the board shall prepare an annual program
- 16 plan for the upcoming fiscal year containing guidelines for the
- 17 program financed by the Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund.
- 18 Beginning July 1, 2015, and annually thereafter, the board shall
- 19 prepare an annual program plan for the upcoming fiscal year
- 20 containing guidelines for the program financed by the Nebraska
- 21 Training and Support Cash Fund. The guidelines shall include, but
- 22 not be limited to, guidelines for certifying training providers,
- 23 criteria for evaluating requests for the use of money under section
- 24 48-622.02, and guidelines for requiring employers to provide
- 25 matching funds. The guidelines shall give priority to training
- 26 that contributes to the expansion of the Nebraska workforce and
- 27 increasing the pool of highly skilled workers in Nebraska.
 - (4) Beginning September 1, 1997, and annually thereafter, through June 30, 2015, the board shall provide a report to
- 3 the Governor covering the activities of the program financed by
- 4 the Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund for the previous
- 5 fiscal year. Beginning July 1, 2015, and annually thereafter,
- 6 the board shall provide a report to the Governor covering the
- 7 activities of the program financed by the Nebraska Training and
- 8 Support Cash Fund for the previous fiscal year. The report shall
- 9 contain an assessment of the effectiveness of the program and its
- 10 administration.
- 11 Sec. 4. Original section 48-622.03, Reissue Revised
- 12 Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 48-622.01 and 48-622.02, Revised
- 13 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012, are repealed.

(Signed) Steve Lathrop, Chairperson

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 941. Title read. Considered.

SENATOR KRIST PRESIDING

Committee AM2023, found on page 621, was adopted with 28 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 10 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 28 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 10 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 941A. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 28 ayes, 0 nays, 10 present and not voting, and 11 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 560. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM1958, found on page 599, was offered.

Senator Schumacher offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

FA240

Amend AM1958

Strike from after the second comma in line 3, page 3 through "worked" in line 4, page 3; strike through word "and" in line 4, page 3, and before the period in line 5, page 3 insert ", and in cases where the employee does not work more than 40 hours a week and is paid a fixed gross amount each week which computes to be at least 40 times the minimum wage, the hours the employee worked."

Pending.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Revenue

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1043. Placed on General File.

(Signed) Galen Hadley, Chairperson

Urban Affairs

LEGISLATIVE BILL 915. Placed on General File with amendment. AM2095

- 1. On page 2, line 10, after "five" insert "business";
- 2 strike beginning with "<u>in</u>" in line 11 through "<u>located</u>" in line 12
- 3 and insert "having jurisdiction of the mortgaged property"; and in
- 4 line 18 after the period insert "This subsection does not impose

- upon the complainant a duty to maintain the mortgaged property. The
- designation of a representative to receive notices shall terminate
- upon transfer of fee title ownership to the mortgaged property.". 8
 - 2. On page 4, strike beginning with "in" in line 6
- through "located" in line 7 and insert "having jurisdiction of
- the trust property"; and in line 12 after the period insert "This
- subsection does not impose upon the beneficiary, trustee, or the
- 12 attorney for the trustee a duty to maintain the trust property. The
- designation of a representative to receive notices shall terminate
- upon transfer of fee title ownership to the trust property.".

(Signed) Amanda McGill, Chairperson

COMMITTEE REPORT

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 371A. Placed on Final Reading.

(Signed) John Murante, Chairperson

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 884. Placed on Select File with amendment. ER151 is available in the Bill Room.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 814. Placed on Select File with amendment. ER154

- 1. In the Standing Committee amendment, AM1876: 1
- 2 a. On page 11, line 26, strike "titling of" and insert
- 3
- "certificate of title for"; and
 b. On page 12, line 17, strike "title" and insert "obtain
- a certificate of title for".
- 2. On page 1, strike beginning with "sections" in line 1
- through line 6 and insert "section 77-2701.35, Reissue Revised
- Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 37-201, 77-2703, 77-2708,
- and 77-27,132, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to
- 10 create a fund; to redefine sales price; to change sales and use
- 11 tax provisions relating to all-terrain vehicles and utility-type
- 12 vehicles; to change duties of sellers and the distribution of
- 13 sales and use tax revenue; to provide funding for infrastructure
- administered by the Game and Parks Commission; to harmonize
- provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the
- 16 original sections.".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 814A. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 867. Placed on Select File with amendment. ER155 is available in the Bill Room.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1001. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 191A. Placed on Select File with amendment. ER156

- 1 1. On page 2, line 4, after "Society" insert an
- 2 underscored comma; and in line 12 after "Revenue" insert an
- 3 underscored comma.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 690A. Placed on Select File. **LEGISLATIVE BILL 1016A.** Placed on Select File.

(Signed) John Murante, Chairperson

AMENDMENTS - Print in Journal

Senator Avery filed the following amendment to <u>LB946</u>: AM2121

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM2047)

- 1 1. Insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 13. Section 32-616, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 3 Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:
- 4 32-616 (1) Any registered voter who was not a candidate
- 5 in the primary election and who was not registered to vote with a
- 6 party affiliation on or before after March 1 and before the general
- 7 <u>election</u> in the calendar year of the general election may have his
- 8 or her name placed on the general election ballot for a partisan
- 9 office by filing petitions as prescribed in sections 32-617 to
- 10 32-621 or by nomination by political party convention or committee
- 11 pursuant to section 32-627 or 32-710.
- 12 (2) Any candidate who was defeated in the primary
- 13 election and any registered voter who was not a candidate in
- 14 the primary election may have his or her name placed on the general
- 15 election ballot if a vacancy exists on the ballot under subsection
- 16 (2) of section 32-625 and the candidate files for the office by
- 17 petition as prescribed in sections 32-617 and 32-618, files as a
- 18 write-in candidate as prescribed in section 32-615, or is nominated
- 19 by political party convention or committee pursuant to section
- 20 32-627 or 32-710.
- 21 2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the
- 22 repealer accordingly.

Senator Murante filed the following amendment to <u>LB946</u>: AM2120

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM2047)

- 1 1. Insert the following new sections:
- 2 Sec. 13. Section 32-713, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 3 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 4 32-713 (1) The certificates of appointment for

- presidential electors shall be served by the Governor on each
- person appointed. The Governor shall notify the presidential
- electors to be at the State Capitol at noon on the first Monday
- 8 after the second Wednesday in December after appointment and
- report to the Governor at his or her office in the capitol as
- 10 being in attendance. The Governor shall serve the certificates of
- appointment by registered or certified mail. In submitting this 11
- state's certificate of ascertainment as required by 3 U.S.C. 6, the 12
- 13 Governor shall certify this state's presidential electors and state 14
 - in the certificate that:
- 15 (a) The presidential electors will serve as presidential
- 16 electors unless a vacancy occurs in the office of presidential
- elector before the end of the meeting at which the presidential 17
- electors cast their votes, in which case a substitute presidential 18
- 19 elector will fill the vacancy; and
- 20 (b) If a substitute presidential elector is appointed to
- 21 fill a vacancy, the Governor will submit an amended certificate of
- ascertainment stating the names on the final list of this state's
- presidential electors.
- (2) The presidential electors shall convene at 2 p.m.
- 3 of such Monday at the Governor's office in the capitol. Each
- presidential elector shall execute the following pledge: As
- a presidential elector duly selected (or appointed) for this
- position, I agree to serve and to mark my ballots for President
- and Vice President for the presidential and vice-presidential
- candidates who received the highest number of votes in the state
- if I am an at-large presidential elector or the highest number of
- votes in my congressional district if I am a congressional district 10
- 11 presidential elector. 12
 - Sec. 14. Section 32-714, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 13 Nebraska, is amended to read:
 - 32-714 (1) The Governor shall provide each presidential
- 15 elector with a list of all the presidential electors. If any
- presidential elector is absent or if there is a deficiency in the
- proper number of presidential electors, those present shall elect
- 18 from the citizens of the state so many persons as will supply 19 the deficiency and immediately issue a certificate of election,
- signed by those present or a majority of them, to the person or
- persons so chosen. In case of failure to elect as required in
- 22 this subsection by 3 p.m. of such day or in case of a vacancy
- 23 created under subsection (4) of this section, the Governor shall
- 24 fill the vacancies by appointment. Each appointee shall execute
- 25 the pledge in section 32-713. After all vacancies are filled, the
- 26 college of presidential electors shall proceed with the election of
- 27 a President of the United States and a Vice President of the United
- 1 States and certify their votes in conformity with the Constitution
- and laws of the United States.

- (2) The Secretary of State shall provide each
- presidential elector with a presidential and vice-presidential

- 5 ballot. Each at-large presidential elector shall east-mark his or
- 6 her ballot for the presidential and vice-presidential candidates
- 7 who received the highest number of votes in the state and
- 8 consistent with his or her pledge. Each congressional district
- 9 presidential elector shall east mark his or her ballot for the
- 10 presidential and vice-presidential candidates who received the
- 11 highest number of votes in his or her congressional district and
- 12 consistent with his or her pledge.
- 13 (3) Each presidential elector shall present the completed
- 14 ballot to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall
- 15 examine each ballot and accept as cast each ballot marked by
- a presidential elector consistent with his or her pledge. The
- 17 Secretary of State shall not accept and shall not count the ballot
- 18 if the presidential elector has not marked the ballot or has marked
- 19 the ballot in violation of his or her pledge.
- 20 (4) A presidential elector who refuses to present a
- 21 ballot, who attempts to present an unmarked ballot, or who attempts
- 22 to present a ballot marked in violation of his or her pledge
- 23 <u>vacates the office of presidential elector.</u>
- 24 2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the
- 25 repealer accordingly.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 560. The Schumacher amendment, FA240, found in this day's Journal, to the committee amendment, was renewed.

Senator Schumacher moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 23 ayes, 0 nays, and 26 not voting.

Senator Schumacher requested a roll call vote, in reverse order, on his amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 16:

Bloomfield	Garrett	Johnson	Scheer
Brasch	Gloor	Kintner	Schilz
Carlson	Hadley	Murante	Schumacher
Christensen	Hansen	Nelson	Smith

Voting in the negative, 18:

Adams	Conrad	Harms	Lathrop	Sullivan
Avery	Cook	Karpisek	McGill	Wightman
Campbell	Crawford	Kolowski	Mello	
Chambers	Haar, K.	Krist	Nordquist	

Present and not voting, 2:

Bolz Dubas

Absent and not voting, 1:

Ashford

Excused and not voting, 12:

Coash Howard Lautenbaugh Seiler
Davis Janssen McCoy Wallman
Harr, B. Larson Pirsch Watermeier

The Schumacher amendment lost with 16 ayes, 18 nays, 2 present and not voting, 1 absent and not voting, and 12 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator Smith offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

FA241

Amend AM1958

Page 3, line 9 strike the words "a bonus" and after the word "or" insert the words "bonus or".

The Smith amendment was adopted with 31 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 13 excused and not voting.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 27 ayes, 0 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 13 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 28 ayes, 4 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 13 excused and not voting.

SPEAKER ADAMS PRESIDING

RESOLUTIONS

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LRs 451 and 452 were adopted.

SPEAKER SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the Speaker signed the following: LRs 451 and 452.

VISITORS

Visitors to the Chamber were Senator Gloor's relatives, Sandy and Randy Petersen, from Lincoln, and Courtney Petersen and Britney Butcher from Seattle, WA.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Dale Michels from Lincoln.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:26 p.m., on a motion by Senator Schilz, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Friday, March 7, 2014.

Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature