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**KELLY:** Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the fifty-ninth day of the One Hundred Eighth Legislature, Second Session. Our chaplain for today is Pastor Les Beecham [PHONETIC], Lifegate Church, Omaha, a guest of Senator von Gillern. Please rise.

**LES BEAUCHAMP:** Good morning, everyone. Before I invoke the presence of the living God, I want to say thank you on behalf of my children, my grandchildren, our church, and the people of Nebraska for your service and your tremendous sacrifices, especially last night I've heard. God bless each one of you. Today's request to invoke the presence of God in this session is really based on the very well-known prayer that Jesus taught his disciples, paraphrased by philosopher and theologian Dallas Willard, who taught philosophy at the University of Southern California for 48 years. Would you join with me in prayer? Dear Father, always near us, filling Heaven and Earth. May your name be treasured and loved above all names. May your rule be completed in us. May your will be done on Earth and in this session and in this state just as it always is in Heaven. Give us today all the things we need to live today. Please forgive our sins and impositions on you as we are forgiving all who in any way have offended us. Please don't put us through trials that would defeat us, but defend us from our adversary, the Devil. All of this is because you are the one in charge, and you have all the power, and all of the glory is yours. And we would want things no other way. We welcome your wisdom. We welcome your justice. We welcome your power. And we welcome your mercy. In the name of God the Father and God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**KELLY:** I recognize Senator Brandt for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BRANDT:** Please join me. I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**KELLY:** Thank you. I call to order the fifty-ninth day of the One Hundred Eighth Legislature, Second Session. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call. Mr. Clerk, please record.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections for the Journal?

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** No corrections this morning.

**KELLY:** Any messages, reports, or announcements?

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Two items, Mr. President: a report of registered lobbyist for the week ending on April 10. And in addition to that, an announcement the various agency reports have been filed electronically and are available on the Legislature's website. That's all I have at this time.

**KELLY:** Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, we'll move to Final Reading. Members should return to their seats in preparation for Final Reading. And please check in. All members are checked in. Mr. Clerk, on Final Reading, the first bill is LB1301. Members, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 35 ayes, 4 nays, Mr. President, on dispensing with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1301]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1301 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bost-- Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, Conrad, Hunt, McKinney, and Raybould. Senator Conrad voting yes. Senator McKinney voting yes. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** LB1301 passes. The next bill is LB1301A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1301A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** Members, the question-- or, all provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1301A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Hughes, Machaela Cavanaugh, Hunt, and Raybould. Senator Hughes voting yes. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1301A passes. The next bill is LB484. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 39 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB484]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB484 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cav-- John Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Slama. Not voting: Senators

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Dover, McDonnell, Machaela Cavanaugh, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 43 ayes, 1 nay, 2 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB484 passes. Senator Conrad, you're recognized for some comments.

**CONRAD:** Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning, colleagues. I rise with the distinct honor to pay tribute to our friend, Senator Fred Meyer. The good news is that this body has been graced by his presence and his kindness and his intelligence and his commitment to service. The bad news, it, it is-- that it was for far too short of, of period. Senator Meyer has a distinguished track record and resume with a considerable amount of commitment to building community and building our state through his dedication to faith, through his dedication to family, through his dedication to the agricultural industry, to his incredible service to education in our state at the local level and on the state level. Senator Meyer has brought forward important legislation in regards to our tax policy and in relation to our education policy, and has been a valued, active, and productive member of the Revenue Committees and the Education Committees during his, his brief time here in the Legislature together. From the moment his appointment was announced, I had the opportunity to connect with him. And I've had the distinct honor of sharing a seat next to him together in service on the Education Committee. And I can tell you he comes prepared. He has a wealth of knowledge and experience and background. And when he speaks, it matters. Additionally, in regard to his intelligence and his commitment, he brings an aura of genuine kindness to his work and to each colleague and to each stakeholder that has business before the Legislature. He is the embodiment of a gentleman farmer and a scholar and a statesman. We're proud to honor you, Senator Meyer. And please, please don't be a stranger to these halls, where you're-- always be welcome and we'll always be grateful for you stepping forward to serve your state once again. Thank you so much, Mr. President. Please join me in a round of applause.

**KELLY:** Senator Hu-- thank you, Senator Conrad. Senator Hughes would like to recognize some guests today: Skyler Cornish, Susan Adams, and Stacy Dicks, all-- Dick, all under the south balcony. Please stand and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. Mr. Clerk, the next bill on Final Reading is LB484A.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB484A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB484A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Machaela Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Slama. Not voting: Senators Hunt and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 1 nay, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB484A passes. The next bill is LB880. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 43 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB880]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB880 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Machaela Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Hunt and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

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**KELLY:** LB880 passes. The next bill is LB903. The first vote-- the first vote is to dispense with the formal reading. Mr.-- all those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 42 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB903]

**KELLY:** All questions-- all provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall be LB903 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Kauth, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB903 passes. The next bill is LB910. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB910]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB910 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Hunt and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB910 passes. Senator Holdcroft, you're recognized for a tribute.

**HOLDCROFT:** Thank you, Mr. President. Well, I misunderstood the memo. Tribute? I thought it was supposed to be a roast. I have Senator Lowe. You know, the, the best asset that Senator Lowe brings to, to the Legislature is really his wife, Kim. And she has been a great member of the family. I had the opportunity many times to speak to her about her husband. And so I'd like to take you back ten years before, you know, before they-- while they were thinking about whether Senator Lowe should run for office. And they were having a discussion that-- a discussion where John said to Kim, Kim, in your wildest dreams, did you ever see me as a state senator? And Kim said, John, let's get down to basics: I've never seen you in my wildest dreams. For, for the record, Kim never said that. I mean, I, I made all that up, but. She-- you really did marry up when you married Kim. John first reached out to me before I was even elected as a senator. I think he was one of the first senators who sent me a note of encouragement. I happened to be in Kearney for a conference befor-- while I was running. He invited me out for, for lunch. And he's always been a great supporter. But the first time he really con-- I considered him a mentor was-- is what I call the white button incident. And it was really the first day-- in my first day here. And, and I-- and we'd had the mock-- we'd had the mock session. So I thought I knew how everything worked. And I got-- they asked-- I got asked to yield for a question. So I got up. The mic didn't work, and I realized you need to push the white button for your mic to work. So I reached over and pushed the white button so the mic would work. And there was some chuckling going on. The, the Clerk was breaking up. Carol almost fell out of her chair laughing. And after it was over, John came over. He pushed out the white button and he explained to me how everything worked. And from then on, he was my good-- go-to guy for, what does that mean? In fact, there's a little--

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there's a little trail in, in the carpeting over here between my seat and his seat. He's always been patient, kind, and a great mentor. The other, the other place where I've worked with him a lot is on the General Affairs Committee. And he is, of course, the General Affairs Chair. And he's extremely well-suited for that. He's really an expert in alcohol and gambling. He runs his committee meetings very efficiently, has great questions, and he's always been the first one to get his package together, get it out to the floor, and get it across the line. Another characteristic I, I greatly respect is his strong religious background. He's a strong practicing Catholic, as I try to be. He attends the Wednesday morning Bible studies. And I had the pleasure of accompanying him and Kim and, and, and Rita Sanders and, and the Lieutenant Governor and his wife to Rome for the International Catholic Legislators Conference. And we had one afternoon open and the ladies all wanted to go shopping. My wife was not with me, so I really wasn't crazy about going shopping, but--

**KELLY:** That's your time.

**HOLDCROFT:** That's my time? There's a time with this? Well, join me in, in appreciating Senator, Senator Lowe.

**KELLY:** Members, I'm informed there's a three-minute time limit. Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, the next bill on Final Reading is LB926. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 41 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Please read the title, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB926]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB926 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Durn-- Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft,



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Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Halloran, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB926 passes. The next bill is LB9-- LB1029. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 39 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1029]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1029 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: sun-- Senators Hunt and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1029 passes. The next bill is LB1070.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1070 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1070 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh,

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Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Arch, Hunt, and Raybould. Senator Arch voting yes. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1070 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1085.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1085 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1085 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, DeKay, [INAUDIBLE], Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Hunt and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1085 passes. Senator John Cavanaugh, you're recognized to speak.

**J. CAVANAUGH:** Thank you, Mr. President. I have the great honor and privilege of rising to honor my friend and colleague and mentor, Senator-- Chairman Bruce Bostelman. So-- trying not to get emotional. Sorry, folks. Senator Bostelman and I are obviously politically very different, and I think it's a true statement and testament to him that I'm the person who's giving his remarks. And so I was trying to think of a way to explain our relationship to folks in a way that you might all understand. So as an analogy, I thought, am I the Anakin to Senator Bostelman's Obi-Wan? Am I the C-3PO to Senator Bostelman's R2-D2? Am I the Luke to Senator Bostelman's Obi-Wan? Is he the Vader to my Luke? Am I the Robin to his Batman? Am I the Han Solo to his Chewbacca? And then I thought, no. I'm the Han to his Lando. We are--

we've been frenemies. We've been on the opposite sides. We've been on the same sides of many issues. We have fought and we've worked together. And there have been times where Senator Bostelman has frozen me in carbonite but then-- only to come to Jabba's Palace to defrost me and spirit me away when I couldn't see. But I digress-- and this is funny to-- I make the analogy. And, and you're going to stop me, and I know you will. But Senator Bostelman has a tremendous career and history, and I do think that the fact that I'm giving this speech is a testament to that. He has started out my career here, where we were probably very adversarial, and there was a great time that I tell this story all the time where I was working a bill for Speaker Hilgers and I was doing the vote count. And Senator Bostelman had an amendment in it, and he did not trust me that I was selling it appropriately. And so he followed me around while I was doing the vote count and listened to me make the pitch to everybody and said, no, you're not doing it right. And I said, I'm not trying to sell anybody. I'm just telling them what it is to get the vote count. And so there's a picture somewhere that Senator-- Speaker Hilgers took of me talking to Tim Gragert and Bruce standing over my shoulder watching me make the pitch. And I said, this really explains things. But that was my first year here. And in the intervening three years, we have worked together on countless things, built trust. And when I tell stories about how I like to fight with people on the floor and talk to them under the side, Senator Bostelman is the one that is in my mind when I think of that. Because you will see us constantly-- we will be on opposite sides of bills, and then we will stand right over here and hash it out. And that bill last week, LB399, that's exactly what happened. And it's because of the relationship that he and I have built and built the trust and the, the fact that we can talk to each other through that conflict that allowed us to be able to do that. And so he is a great statesman that I disagree with on many principled things. But the-- one of the great effects he will have on this place going forward is the effect that he has had on me to soften my edges. He's allowed me to go out, get out over my skis in committee hearing, say stupid things, be meaner to people than I probably should have. But I think the converse thing is he's taken some of that and he asked tougher questions sometimes as a result of the relationship that we've had. So the work you can do by building those relationships, even with people on the other side, I think is a great example, Senator Bostelman, of the things that you have done, the effect you've had on me. The things you've taught me will allow me, if I get to spend four

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more years here, to be a better legislator, to work better with people who I have always oppose-- who I oppose philosophically, and to get to that middle ground to get to a solution and to just still continue to have those relationships even when we are in opposition. So please join me in honoring my colleague and mentor, Senator Bruce Bostelman.

**KELLY:** Senator Riepe announces some guests in the north balcony: fourth graders from St. Gerald's Catholic Church in Ralston. Please stand and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. Senator Moser would like to recognize our physician of the day: Dr. Dan Rosenquist of Columbus. Please stand and be recognized. Mr. Clerk, the next bill on Final Reading is LB1095. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 39 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1095]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1095 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Blood, DeKay, and Slama, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 44-- Senator Slama voting yes. Senator Blood voting yes. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1095 passes. The next bill is LB1167.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1167 on Final Reading]

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**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1167 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Clements. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Holdcroft, Lippincott, Lowe, Sanders, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 40 ayes, 1 nay, 5 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1167 passes. The next bill is LB1214.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1214 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1214 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1214 passes. The next bill is LB1270. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 41 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1270]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1270 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1270 passes. The next bill is LB1326. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1326]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1326 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Armendariz, Kauth, Lowe, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** LB1326 passes. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose sign and do hereby sign LB1301, LB1301A, LB484, LB484A, LB880, LB903, LB910, LB926, LB1029, LB1070 with the emergency clause, LB1085, LB1095, LB1167, LB1214, LB1270, and LB1326. Senator Sanders, you're recognized.

**SANDERS:** Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning, Nebraska and fellow colleagues. I rise today to honor Senator Joni Albrecht. Today is a bittersweet day for Senator Albrecht as she finishes up eight incredible years in the State Legislature. Over the past four years, I have gotten to know Joni as not only a colleague but as a fierce advocate for pro-life movement. Joni has stood by her faith when legislating policy that would be beneficial to all Nebraskans, including the unborn. In 2023, Senator Albrecht brought forth LB626. While this bill has hi-- was highly contentious, Joni never once lost sight of her why. The why is simple: Joni deeply cares to protect children at all stages of life. During the last night's debates, countless hours of listening to Nebraskans and fellow colleagues, Joni stayed the course, showing respect to all. I am proud of Senator Albrecht, my colleague, at times my roommate, someone I can truly call my friend. Godspeed, Joni. Thank you for-- Senator Albrecht for your eight years of dedication to Nebraska. Thank you.

**KELLY:** Senator Walz has some guests in the north balcony: they are from Greenheart Exchange, 11 different countries, exchange students in Lincoln, Fremont, and Cedar Bluffs. Please stand and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. Mr., Mr. Clerk, the next bill on Final Reading is LB20. Members, the first vote will be to dispense with the at-large reading. Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, Senator Machaela Cavanaugh would move to return to Select File for a specific amendment, that being to strike Section 1. But I have a note that she would withdraw that.

**KELLY:** Without objection. It's withdrawn.

**CLERK:** Additionally: Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, a recom-- recommit to committee motion, MO1367, with a note that she would withdraw. And Senator John Cavanaugh, I have return to Select File for a specific amendment-- note that you would withdraw that as well.

**KELLY:** With objection. Those are withdrawn. Without objection.

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**CLERK:** In that case, Mr. President, I have nothing further.

**KELLY:** Members, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 38 ayes, 7 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB20]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB20 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Bostelman, Clements, Hardin, Lippincott, Lowe, Slama. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Ballard, DeKay, Hunt, Raybould. Vote is 38 ayes, 6 nays, 2 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB20 passes. The next bill is LB20A.

**CLERK:** [Read LB20A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB20A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: no-- voting no: Senators Bostelman, Clements, Hardin, Lippincott, Lowe, Slama. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, DeKay,



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Hunt, Raybould. Vote is 39 ayes, 6 nays, 1 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB20A passes. The next bill is LB52 with the emergency clause.

**CLERK:** [Read LB52 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB52 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB52 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB52A with the emergency clause.

**CLERK:** [Read LB52A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB52A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** LB52A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill-- Senator Fredrickson, you're recognized.

**FREDRICKSON:** Thank you, Mr. President. Fellow senators, friends all. I rise today not with a gotcha question. And I'm glad to see that so many of you are actually on the floor listening, as I have some really important data to share with you all. Mr. President, can I please get a gavel? Now, if you actually take the time to review the handout that was given to you-- and Senator Lowe, I see you put that in your recycling bin. You can go ahead and take that out and review it. You will see why we as a Legislature need a technology committee, not to manage blockchain or the Russian mafia but to see if we're actually ready for our first baby box. I know Senator Holdcroft will work with me on the interim with that. No, in all seriousness, I obviously have been asked to give remarks on Senator Carol Blood. And, you know, Senator Blood is, I think, a true joy in this Chamber. She has been a tireless advocate in her time here for military families, for veterans. She is, I think, without dispute, probably the licensure compact queen of our country. I think she may have passed the most licensure compacts in, in the country of any legislator, which is a big deal. She has a freakishly good memory to the point where I-- I often say, if I ever go missing hire Carol Blood because she has the notes. She's a detective of sorts. And her energy, her presence, her-- I, I think her, her willingness just to sort of literally ask any question is, is unprecedented. And I will really, really miss working with you, and I know a lot of us will as well. So please join me in wishing Senator Carol Blood well in her next journey.

**KELLY:** The next, the next bill on Final Reading is LB62. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 39 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB62]

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**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB62 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Moser, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Clements, Hardin, Ibach, Kauth, Lippincott, and Lowe. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Halloran, Jacobson, Meyer, Murman, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 34 ayes, 6 nays, 6 present, not voting, 3 excused and voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB62 passes. The next bill is LB62A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB62A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB62A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Moser, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Clements, Hardin, Kauth, Lippincott, and Lowe. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Dover, Halloran, Jacobson, Meyer, Murman, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 34 ayes, 5 nays, 7 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB62A passes. The next bill is LB71. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 39 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB71]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB71 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB71 passes. The next bill is LB71A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB71A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB71A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Bostelman, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB71A passes. The next bill is LB164 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 33 ayes, 7 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

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**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB164]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB164 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Fredrickson, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Bostelman, Clements, Erdman, Hardin, Lippincott, and Lowe. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Halloran, Murman, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 37 ayes, 6 nays, 3 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB164 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB164A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB164A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB164A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Fredrickson, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Clements, Erdman, Hardin, Lippincott, and Lowe. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Armendariz, Bostelman, Halloran, Murman, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 36 ayes, 5 nays, 5 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB164A passes with the emergency clause. Senator Day, you are recognized.

**DAY:** Thank you, Mr. President. I rise today with the honor of sharing a little about my friend and colleague, Senator Tony Vargas. Before I start, I have to mention we were sitting on the floor one day, and Senator Vargas got up on the mic. And Senator McKinney chuckled a little bit and said, every time he gets on the mic and says, "Thank you very much, Mr. President," he thinks of Elvis. And I have not been able to unhear it since then. So every time Senator Vargas gets up on the mic and says, "Thank you very much, Mr. President," I too think of Elvis. One of my first memories as a new senator was Senator Vargas providing really wise advice to me about what it looks like to govern and how important it is to be deliberate and measured and intentional with how I use my voice as an elected official and how that may look different from how I had used my voice in previous years in activism. And to this day, it remains one of the most important and impactful pieces of advice I've ever been given. And I think about it all the time. Senator Vargas served in leadership positions on the Exec Board and also served on the Appropriations Committee, where he honed his skills as a thoughtful and pragmatic leader. He used the pain of losing his father, Antonio, to COVID to fight for critical protections for meatpacking workers. He cracked down on predatory payday lending. He provided crucial support to pregnant and parenting students and secured millions of dollars for both rural and workforce housing. He secured in-state tuition for AmeriCorps members, advocated for small businesses, food trucks, and breweries during the pandemic and beyond. He protected vulnerable populations from being placed in prolonged solitary confinement. He defended and protected our public health measure-- excuse me. He defended and protected our public health departments. He created the structure for how our state will tackle the opioid epidemic. He prioritized women and children by introducing several pieces of legislation that would both expand and further secure funding for healthier moms and babies. He did all of this while playing the most important role of his life: as husband to Lauren and father to his babies, Ava and Luca. Senator Vargas will be greatly missed. I was not expecting to get emotional about this. I think it's so interesting. We are, we are moving at such a frenetic pace sometimes in session and then we get to the very, very end and then we think about, oh my gosh, I'm not going to be able to work with these people anymore. It makes you-- it makes me sad. I admire him a great deal. And he will be greatly missed. But the impact of his time here will remain for decades to come. I look forward to seeing where he

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goes next. And I anticipate big things in his future. Please join me in honoring Senator Tony Vargas.

**KELLY:** Senator Hansen would like to announce some guests under the south balcony: his daughter, Olivia Hansen; his mother, Jill Hansen; and his sister, Kelli Miller. Please stand and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. The next bill is LB196 with the emergency clause. Members, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB196]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB196 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDowell, McKinney, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Kauth, Meyer, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is-- Senator Kauth voting yes. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 3 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB196 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB196A with the emergency clause.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB196A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB196A pass with the emergency

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clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay.  
Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Armendariz, Hughes, Riepe, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Senator Hughes voting yes. Senator Armendariz voting yes. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting.

**KELLY:** LB196A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB204 with the emergency clause.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB204 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB204 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay.  
Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Jacobson, Riepe, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB204 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB204A with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.



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**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB204A]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB204A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting.

**KELLY:** LB204A passes with the emergency clause. Senator Dorn, you are recognized to speak.

**DORN:** Good morning, colleagues. I have the honor of making a few comments regarding our esteemed colleague, Senator McDonnell. Senator McDonnell has served for, for two terms, eight years in the Appropriations Committee. Listening to some of those bills in the Appropriations Committee, though, at times seems like it's been 20 years. All eight years Senator McDonnell has served on the Appropriations Committee I've found him to be a tremendous negotiator. He saw solutions where people saw stalemates. He was able to get people involved and work through the problems to achieve compromise and agreements on bills and funding proposals. We all know Senator McDonnell can be a little bit antsy at times, and two years ago or a year ago when we were down in the East Side down on the bottom down there, it was getting to be a long day and Senator McDonnell had an appointment he had to go to. And the last bill of the day, Senator Clements had a shell bill out. So Senator Clements goes to introduce his shell bill. By this time, Senator McDonnell's sitting behind him ready to leave out the door. Clements gets-- Senator Clements gets done introducing his shell bill. Senator Wishart says, anybody have a question? And I raise my hand. Senator McDonnell come up off the

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chair. What do you mean? This is a shell bill. Why are you asking a question? He was ready to go. I also-- one of the other stories I like to tell about Senator McDonnell happened this year. Senator McDonnell, if you remember, a year ago, brought the bill-- or, two years ago for our Pledge of Allegiance could-- he brought the bill to have a veteran or some of their family members do the Pledge of Allegiance. For me, it was a very special moment. I'm sure it was for Senator McDonnell for this year his son, Ryan, about two weeks ago got to lead the pledge. I don't know how many other people have had to have a-- have got to introduce a bill and then have somebody from a family member be there. To me, that was very, very special. Wanted to comment a few other things, though. In his two terms-- and a little bit, we, we talk about all the bills Senator McDonnell's introduced. In his first two years, he introduced 16 bills and 14 legislative resolutions. The next two years, he introduced 24 bills and 11 legislative resolutions. But then, to start out his second term, he decided to up that a little bit. His next two years, he introduced 45 bills and 16 legislative resolutions. Well-- and then these last two years, he introduced 66 bills and 29 legislative resolutions, for a grand total of 151 bills and 130 resolutions. Yes. We jokingly some of us when we pass the, I call it, the some of the changes this-- the early part of the session, we called the 20-bill limit Senator McDonnell's bill limit or whatever. So the, the only comment my staff come up with this one, and they said, the Bill Drafters are glad to see you go. Want to thank Senator McDonnell for his leadership, for his friendship, and all of his great work he's done the last year. And I wish him much luck in any future endeavor. Thank you.

**KELLY:** The next bill on Final Reading is LB233. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB233]

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**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB233 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Do-- Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, Kauth, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Kauth, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB233 passes. The next bill is LB253. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 37 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB253]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB253 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brant, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Bosn, Lowe, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** LB253 passes. The next vote is LB262. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 41 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB262]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB262 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB262 passes. Senator Hansen, you're recognized.

**HANSEN:** Thank you, Mr. President. So what kind of tribute do you give to a guy who served in the United States Army for 36 years, including six tours in Afghanistan, awarded two Purple Hearts, blown up by a grenade, shot multiple times, climbed the tallest freestanding mountain in the world, survived last year's session, and who just earlier this week was in surgery removing shrapnel from his ear canal? Well, I'll try to do my best. Born in Casper, Wyoming and raised in Gordon, Nebraska, Senator Tom Brewer, aka The Colonel, aka The Statesman, aka the man who could send you to the hospital with his pinky finger, was elected to the Nebraska Legislature in 2016. He has been a staunch advocate for the Second Amendment, our veterans, and rural Nebraska. He has taken many shots on the legislative floor, rallied the troops when needed, and has been there many times to watch our six when fighting to pass our bills. I do want to thank Tom for all the great memories both on and off the floor. One of them that

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comes to mind, which recently we just shared with some of my colleagues, was a time in Africa--

**WAYNE:** Point of order.

**KELLY:** Senator Wayne, for what purpose do you rise?

**WAYNE:** What happen-- what happens in Africa stays in Africa.

**KELLY:** Thank you, Senator Wayne. Senator Hansen.

**HANSEN:** We will overrule that. There was a time when he was a great father figure to me one time in Africa-- which maybe I should have listened to him-- was when I happened to meet a gal in a Russian-owned hotel who told me that she had a lion and she was taking care of Simba the lion. You can google it. You'll see. Don't google too far. Simba the lion, which I didn't know at the time, was owned by the Russian government. She's like, you want to go see my lion? I'm like, yeah, sure. I'll go see a lion. So of course I call Senator Wayne two seconds later and say, hey, Justin, you want to go see a lion? He's like, all right. And so we get ready to head out. She has a van, taking us to go see a lion, which we didn't know was an hour away. Of course, I had to tell Colonel Brewer. And his voice is, you're doing what? I said, I wanted to go see this lion. We want to go see this lion. So we went to go see a lion. He's like, we'll just make sure-- keep your phone handy [INAUDIBLE] phone. Text me your coordinates if you get in trouble, which of course I had handy the whole time. I won't get too much into the story, but thankfully to say we made it back alive. And we saw the lion, yes. And Justin was about as far from that lion as you possibly could be. And so, of course, when we got back, Colonel Brewer made sure we were OK, scolded us after we told him what we did. And I appreciate him for always being there for us and for me and always instilling common sense when I needed it. Senator Brewer served this-- his community for most of his life, and that is a mountain few attempt to climb and even fewer reach the peak of. I've always believed that humanity is given and respect is earned. Well, my friend, you have earned my respect, as well as I'm sure all in the room ten times over. So thank you being my-- for being my friend, my mentor, for your service to our country, our state, and the people of Nebraska. Thank you.

**KELLY:** Mr. Clerk, the next bill on Final Reading is LB262A.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB262A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB262A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Blood, Clements, Dorn, Riepe, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Clements voting yes. Senator Riepe voting yes. Senator Blood voting yes. Senator Dorn voting yes. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB262A passes. The next bill is LB287 with the-- the next bill is LB287 with the emergency clause. Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Mr. President, with respect to LB287: Senator Hunt, I have two motions with notes that you wish to withdraw.

**KELLY:** Without objection. They are withdrawn. Members, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 41 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Please read the title, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB287]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB287 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer,

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Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Meyer, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB287 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB287A with the emergency clause.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB287A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB287A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Clements, Hansen, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Clements voting yes. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB287A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB358 with the emergency clause.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB358 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB358 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Do-- Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt,

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Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Fredrickson, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Fredrickson voting yes. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 ayes, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB358 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB358A with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 41 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB358A]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB358A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Kauth, DeKay, Hunt, and Raybould. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 3 excused, not voting.

**KELLY:** LB358A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB399. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 37 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.



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**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB399]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB399 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay, Hunt, Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB399 passes. The next bill is LB600 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 39 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB600]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB600 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDowell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas-- Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators

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DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB600 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB600A with the emergency clause.

**CLERK:** [Read LB600A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB600A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Slama, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present, not voting, 3-- 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB600A passes with the emergency clause. Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, you are recognized to speak.

**M. CAVANAUGH:** I'm stealing this from John Cavanaugh. I didn't even think to do this.

[PLAYS "HERE COMES THE SUN"]

**M. CAVANAUGH:** My friend, my colleague, my North Star in this place, Senator Lynne Walz. I am definitely going to cry. I love you. I love your heart. I love your compassion. I love your dedication to everyone and everything. I love our late-night chats about our faith. I love your mentorship. You're a great hype girl. The best there is. You ground me and everyone here. And you remind us all why we're here: to serve people, to follow our hearts, to create good policy. You've done so much in your time here. I don't know who else knows as much about the Olmstead as you. You are a treasure to this state and to this body. And there are literally not enough words or enough time to express how much you have given to me personally and to everyone here. I don't know what I'm going to do without you for two years. Probably

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call you a lot. But thank you for everything. And thank you for all your little notes that you put on my desk to remind me of who I am and what I'm here to do. And just thank you for giving us all so much of you. I love you.

**KELLY:** The next bill on Final Reading is LB631. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, record.

**CLERK:** 37 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, prior to reading: Senator Conrad, I have a series of motions, all with notes that you wish to withdraw.

**KELLY:** Without objection. They are withdrawn.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB631]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB631 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bosn, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Moser, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Clements, Erdman, Lippincott, Lowe. Not voting Senators Albrecht, Hardin, Meyer, Murman, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 39 ayes, 4 nays, 4 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB631 passes. The next bill is LB631A. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 37 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Please read the title, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB631A]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB631A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Moser, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Clements, Lippincott, and Lowe. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Hardin, Meyer, Murman, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 40 ayes, 3 ayes, 4 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB631A passes. Senator Aguilar would like to announce some guests in the north balcony: 60 fourth graders from Newell Elementary in Grand Island. Please stand and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. Senator Aguilar has some guests in the north balcony-- in the north balcony: granddaughter Demi [PHONETIC] and great granddaughter Amalia [PHONETIC]. Please stand and be recognized by the Nebraska Legislature. Senator Clements, you're recognized to speak.

**CLEMENTS:** Thank you, Mr. President. I rise to recognize my good friend and colleague, Senator Steve Halloran. I've known Steve since I came in the Legislature in February 2017, a month after Steve was sworn in. You could say I drew the short straw on this assignment. But I want to stand tall and let you know that, in this case, good things come in small packages. There's a lot I could say about Senator Halloran, but I will try to keep this brief. He was always first to point out that there's a difference between bri-- being brief and being short. As a long-time farmer, Steve was selected in 2019 to be Chairman of the Agriculture Committee, finishing six years as Chair this session. He has led during times of livestock disease scares, managed the arguments between hemp and marijuana, and refereed over perennial arguments over branding laws. Before I came here, I had no idea what Article V of the U.S. Constitution said. Starting in 2021, we started receiving daily updates on the U.S. national debt clock, showing how

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many trillions of dollars we are in debt. I once thought I was out of debt until I saw that my share was over \$100,000 and growing every day. I was glad to help Steve get Nebraska to be the 17th state to pass a Convention of States resolution. I've especially appreciated Steve's wry sense of humor. He can seem to be serious, then at the end of a sentence you get the punch line and see a grin on his face. Steve also has some musical talent. One of my favorite memories is hearing Steve sing this song to Senator Chambers: Oh, Lord, it's hard to be humble when you're perfect in every way. To know me is to love me. I must be a hell of a man. Oh, Lord, it's hard to be humble, but I'm doing the best I can. Steve and his wife, Ann, have been married 44 years. They've become good friends to Peggy and me. He loves his family, and I know he's looking forward to spending more time with them. Please join me in thanking Steve Halloran for his eight short years in the Legislature.

**KELLY:** While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign LB20, LB20A, LB52 with the emergency clause, LB52A with the emergency clause, LB62, LB62A, LB71, LB71A, LB164 with the emergency clause, LB164Ae with the emergency clause, LB196 with the emergency clause, 196A with the emergency clause, LB204 with the emergency clause, LB204A with the emergency clause, LB233, LB253, LB262, LB262A, LB287 with the emergency clause, LB287A with the emergency clause, LB358 with the emergency clause, LB358A with the emergency clause, LB399, LB600 with the emergency clause, LB600A with the emergency clause, LB631, and LB631A. Mr. Clerk for items.

**CLERK:** Mr. President: bills read this morning were presented to the Governor on April 11, 2024 at 10:20. Additionally, Senator Blood would move to recess the body until 1:00 p.m.

**KELLY:** Members, you've heard the motion to recess. All those in favor say aye. Those opposed, nay. We are in recess.

[RECESS]

**KELLY:** Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. The afternoon session is about to begin. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** Thank you. Do you have any items for the record?

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Not at this time.

**KELLY:** Any messages or announcements?

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** There are none at this time, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** Mr. Clerk-- Senators, we'll ask you to return to your seats and resume Final Reading. And please check in. Returning to Final Reading. The first bill is LB685. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 36 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB685]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB685 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McConnell [PHONETIC], McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Cavanaugh, Conrad, DeKay, and Raybould. Excuse me. Senator Machaela Cavanaugh voting yes. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB685 passes. The next bill is LB685A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Mr. President: Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, I had FA363 from you with a note you wish to withdraw.

**KELLY:** So ordered.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB685A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB685A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Conrad, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Conrad voting yes. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB685A passes. Senator Machaela Cavanaugh would like to announce two guests under the north balcony: Lila Ramsey and Debra McKnight of the Urban Abbey United Methodist Church. Please stand and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. The next bill on Final Reading is LB686. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 3 nays on the motion to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB686]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB686 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht and Lowe. Not voting: Senator

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Armendariz, Kauth, Wayne, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Wayne voting yes. Vote is 43 ayes, 2 nays, 2 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB686 passes. The next bill is LB829.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB829 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB829 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht, Clements, Erdman, Lowe, and Slama. Not voting: Senators Kauth, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 41 ayes, 5 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB829 passes. The next bill is LB829A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB829A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB829A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht, Clements, Erdman, and Slama. Not voting: Senators Hansen, Kauth, Lowe, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Hansen voting no. Vote is 40 ayes, 5 nays, 2 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB829A passes. Senator Bostar, you're recognized to speak.



**BOSTAR:** Thank you, Mr. President. So I met Senator Wishart, Anna, years before either of us were in the Legislature, actually, over a decade ago, by chance, in the back of a pickup truck in central Nebraska. It's true. And I would tell you the story, but Lieutenant Governor is very strict on the clock, so we'll skip that for now. But in that meeting, I, I started, I started talking to Anna, and, and she was-- at that point, she was on the-- she was elected to the Airport Authority Board in Lincoln and was involved in a bunch of, of causes and-- she was telling me all about it, all about what she was passionate about, the community, the work she was doing, what other people were doing, all this, this great stuff going on. And, and it was, it was, it was a very, very great, uplifting conversation. And, and she was just so focused on all of these positive things happening. And so, you know, I, I think back on that over ten years ago-- and it's actually remarkable that it is that long ago. But-- you know, so what's changed over a decade later, after eight years in this place? What has that done to Anna? The answer is nothing. She's the same. Which is maybe even more remarkable than the fact that that was over ten years ago. Anna is a, is a champion for her constituents, her district, the city of Lincoln, and the state of Nebraska. She's worked incredibly hard over the last eight years. She worked incredibly hard before that too. But to really deliver results for the community, the state, and, and for all of the people in it. Anna is endlessly kind, perpetually thoughtful, and eternally optimistic. And if I'm being honest-- and, and Anna is well-aware of this-- her optimism would occasionally frustrate me. Anna and I joke that she's the second nicest senator in here, only after me. And-- but the truth is I get frustrated at her optimism and her perspective that the glass is always half full because, in truth, that's what I want. I want to see everything that way too. It doesn't come as easy to me. But having known Anna for all these years, she does remind me every day that I should keep trying to see the world that way and to get better. So I really appreciate her. I know that, that Anna's going to go on to do countless other great things, but I also know that the Legislature will be worse for not having her in it anymore. And most of all, thinking toward the future, I just know that I'm going to miss my friend. So, Anna, thank you for your years of service and everything you do.

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**KELLY:** Returning to Final Reading. The next bill is LB840. The first vote is on-- to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 37 ayes, 7 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB840]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB840 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dungan, Fredrickson, Hughes, Hunt, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht, Bosn, Bostelman, Clements, Dover, Erdman, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Lippincott, Lowe, Meyer, Moser, Murman, and Slama. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 28 ayes, 19 nays, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB840 passes. The next bill is LB852. The first motion is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 41 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB852]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB852 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Wayne, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB852 passes. The next bill is LB856. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 37 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB856]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB856 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bos-- Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dungan, Fredrickson, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht, Clements, Erdman, Halloran, Hardin, Lippincott, and Lowe. Not voting: Senators Dover, Kauth, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 38 ayes, 7 nays, 2 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB856 passes. The next bill is LB867e. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 40 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB867]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB867 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB867 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB867A with the emergency clause.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB867A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB867A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Bostar, Hunt, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Hunt voting yes. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB867A passes with the emergency clause.

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**KELLY:** Senator Brandt, you're recognized to speak.

**BRANDT:** Question. Senator Steve Erdman, where do I start? So much material, so little time. Senator Erdman represents the sprawling 47th District and is fiercely proud of his rural district. I got to know Erdman in my first year serving with him on Building and Maintenance Committee, of which he was the Chair, and we oversaw 4,000 buildings. I found out 2,000 were outhouses in state parks. Typical Erdman saying: Don't worry about it; I'm not. Steve thought so much of his district that he submitted a bill to move the headquarters of Game and Parks to Sidney-- not once, but every year. Can you believe it? The guy-- the guys over at Game and Parks are finally breathing a sigh of relief. They are willing to let bygones be bygones and have announced all of their 2,000 outhouses will now be known as Erdmans. He is always happy to share what is on his phone. He loves to share his video of how to make pistachio milk. The tricky part, he says, is the farmer hooking his milking machines up to the pistachio nuts. If you are really lucky, Steve will show you properties for sale in Arizona. When Senator Hunt asked him if he would buy her a house there, he said he would only if she moved there and never came back. Erdman taught me how to punch my red button for check-in until Patrick disabled his red button. It was the saddest I ever saw him, as he hopelessly tried to click the red button like a Brewer-owned machine gun. It was a lost cause, as both buttons produced a green light for a smiling Patrick. Senator Bosn reports she particularly enjoys Steve's squeaky, rocking chair, only becoming concerned if the noise stops because she will be hearing Erdman say behind her, hey, Bosn. Know what? This bill is so stupid. Four years ago, I had a bill to fix this. We could have fixed this, but they just don't listen. Then Erdman goes back to being squeaky. As Chair of the Rules Committee, he led the way. Many times we were treated to Steve standing and emphatically saying "question" unless he treated us to five minutes of sweet silence. He liked to spar with Senator Chambers on two items. First, his own love of prairie dogs, particularly through the scope of a rifle. Second, Steve made sure Senator Chambers knew that it was his son, former Senator Phil Erdman, who's responsible for the book stands by the microphones. And who will ever forget coming into the Chamber to listen to his dramatic floor speech on Chamber lighting as he wore a headlamp? The journal article the next day was entitled "Erdman Provides Illumination in Chamber." It was epic. Or, or the time he owned up to repainting the lines in the Senators' parking lot with canary yellow.

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Security investigated for six months before reporting "Erdman Paints in Canary." It was epic. Senator Bosn has made you a certificate. And it, and it says "common sense is a flower that does not grow in everyone's garden." I'd like to come to the end of this tribute by saying, Steve, you will be missed. Your good humor, levelheadedness, and friendship. I hope you, Cathy, and the rest of your family enjoy the next chapter in your life. Well done, Senator Erdman. It's been ep-- epic. And I would ask for a call of the house. Seriously, I would ask for a call of the house. Wait a second.

**KELLY:** There's been a request to place the house under call.

**BRANDT:** As a, as a 49-gun salute, let's all give him a red vote on call of the house.

**KELLY:** Members, the next bill on Final Reading is LB870.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB870 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB870 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators von Gillern, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator von Gillern voting yes. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB870 passes. The next bill is LB870A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB870A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of la-- law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB870A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer,

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**KELLY:** LB870A passes. The next bill is LB874. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor say aye-- vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 41 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB874]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB874 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Walz, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB874 passes. The next bill is LB876.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB876 on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB876 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Halloran, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present-- Senator Halloran voting yes. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB876 passes. Senator Conrad would like to recognize her daughter, Caroline, who's seated under-- in the north balcony. Please stand and be recognized by the Nebraska Legislature. Senator Murman would like to recognize his wife, Kathy, and his daughter, Whitney, who are seated under the south balcony. Please stand and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. The next bill is LB876A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB876A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB876A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Walz, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Walz voting yes. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB876A passes. Speaker Arch, you're recognized for a message.

**ARCH:** Thank you, Mr. President. Well, for any aspiring legislator who wants to learn how to be effective, you need only to watch and learn from Senator Lou Ann Linehan. I think it's safe to assume that, for most of us, our first session was overwhelming, intimidating even, when it became clear there was a very steep learning curve with respect to serving as a legislator. Well, here's her first session.



I'm also going to assume that was not the case for Senator Lou Ann Linehan. After being elected to the Unicameral in 2016, Senator Linehan hit the ground running and hasn't stopped since. I'm going to-- I'm going to tell you a story about her first session. See if you see a little pattern here. In her first session in 2017, Senator Linehan introduced the Nebraska Reading Improvement Act, requiring schools to track students' reading progression so intervention can happen early, particularly for those students struggling with dyslexia. The bill didn't get out of committee. Well, that didn't deter Senator Linehan, and she was successful in garnering the votes necessary to pull the bill-- pull the bill from committee. The bill didn't pass. Senator Linehan didn't quit. She put her skills as a negotiator to use and joined forces with Senator Patty Pansing Brooks, using the time during the interim to visit schools to see firsthand how children are being taught. Her resilience and her persistence resulted in the passage of the Nebraska Reading Improvement Act in 2018, and, and we have seen that pattern throughout her eight years. The passage of that bill did not mean her job was done. Senator Linehan has spent her entire eight years-- with seven of those years as a member of the Education Committee-- fighting for a good education for all Nebraska children. Whether it be expanding educational opportunities for families, ensuring the recruitment and retention of quality teachers, or making sure the school districts are properly carrying out the law and serving students diagnosed with dyslexia, Senator Linehan has been a dedicated and dogged advocate for children's education. Just two days ago, we passed LB1284 and, in her own words, Senator Linehan has come full circle with provisions of that bill, creating the Dyslexia Research Grant Program. As much as Lou Ann Linehan loves children, she hates high taxes. Only the second woman to serve as the Chairperson of the Legislature's Revenue Committee. Over the course of her five years in that position, Senator Linehan has shepherded historical and transformational tax reform. Just last session, under her leadership, this body passed two bills, LB754 and LB243, that will result in lower income taxes for families and businesses and will give Nebraskans substantial property tax relief. For those incoming senators getting ready to experience their first session, I regret they won't have Senator Lou Ann Linehan to learn from. To me, she's the embodiment of what it takes to be a respected and effective legislator. She is skillful. She knows it comes down to the number of votes. And she employs artful strategy to reach that goal. Ow, my arm hurts. She is persistent. She will keep

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pursuing her goals. And if she is knocked off course, she's resilient, will brush herself off, come back with a new strategy. She is a formidable negotiator. Two words come to mind: fierce and scary. She is tenacious and tough. She is a model statesperson. For me, she has been an inspiration. Senator Linehan, you'll be missed. Thank you.

**KELLY:** The next bill on Final Reading is LB904. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 41 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB904]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB904 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Senators Dorn, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB904 passes. The next bill is LB904A.

**CLERK:** [Read LB904A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB904A be passed? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Ar-- Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dover, Dungan, Erdman,

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**KELLY:** LB904A passes. The next bill is LB932. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 40 ayes, 2 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Please read the title, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB932]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB932 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Halloran, Kauth, Lowe, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 43 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB932 passes. Mr. Clerk for items.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, on the next bill, series of withdraws. Senator Bosn, I have FA311, FA310, and MO1302 all with notes that you would wish to withdraw.

**KELLY:** So ordered.

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**CLERK:** In that case, Mr. President, there's nothing pending.

**KELLY:** The next bill is LB934 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 36 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB934]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB934 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Day, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB934 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1017. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All of those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 37 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1017]

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**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1017 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Mc-- Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, von Gillern, Walz. Voting no: Senators Blood, John Cavanaugh, Conrad, Dungan, McKinney, Vargas, Wayne, and Wishart. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 38 ayes, 8 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1017 passes. The next bill is LB1027. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 37 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1027]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1027 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Ha-- Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Blood. Not voting: Senators John Cavanaugh, Machaela Cavanaugh, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 44 ayes, 1 nay, 2 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1027 passes. The next bill is LB1027A.

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**CLERK:** Mr. President, Senator Clements would move to return the bill to Select File for a specific amendment, that'd be to strike the enacting clause.

**KELLY:** Senator Clements, you're recognized to open.

**CLEMENTS:** This is serious. But both-- I've spoken about this topic before. Both Senator Sanders' LB71 and my LB27 [SIC] provided for a guardian to serve as the educational decision-maker for a juvenile. And I was not pleased when it was a \$10,000 fee to add two words to a computer program. So due to this duplicate provision in both bills, there is a \$10,000 appropriation asked for in both bills for the Supreme Court automation to modify their management system and add two words: educational decision-maker-- three words, I guess. So only one appropriation is needed. Since LB71A has pass earlier today, I'm moving to return LB1027A to Select File for the purpose of striking the enacting clause, the motion used to kill the bill sitting on Final Reading. I ask your reev-- green vote to return LB27A [SIC] to Select File for this purpose. And then we will be able to indefinitely postpone the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** Thank you, Senator Clements. Seeing no one else in the queue. You're recognized to close on your motion. And waive. Members, the question is-- the motion is to return to Select. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 39 ayes, 3 nays to return to Select File, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The motion is adopted.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, Senator Clements would move to amend with FA448.

**KELLY:** Senator Clements, you're recognized to open.

**CLEMENTS:** I waive. We're wanting to indefinitely postpone.

**KELLY:** Opening and closing is waived. Senator Wayne.

**WAYNE:** Will Senator Clements yield to a question?

**KELLY:** Senator Clements, will you yield?

**WAYNE:** So I want to understand that-- three words cost \$10,000?

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**CLEMENTS:** That's what Technology told me. And I argued, pushed back. Found out it used to be \$6,000 then it went \$8,000 this year. It's \$10,000 to even put a comma in.

**WAYNE:** Hmm. Thank you, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** Seeing no one else in the queue. Senator Clements, you're recognized to close. And waive closing. Members, the question is the adoption of FA448. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 44 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the amendment, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** FA448 is adopted. Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, I have nothing further on the bill.

**KELLY:** Mr. Clerk, next bill.

**CLERK:** Mr. President: Final Reading, LB1030e.

**KELLY:** The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 36 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1030]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1030 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern,

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Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Sanders DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** L-- LB1030 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1031 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 35 ayes, 7 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1031]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1031 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, Wayne, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is-- Senator Machaela Cavanaugh voting yes. Senator Wayne voting yes. Voting is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1031 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1031A with the emergency clause.

**CLERK:** [Read LB1031A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1031A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.



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**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting. Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1031A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1035. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All of those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 39 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1035]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1035 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKin-- McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1035 passes. The next bill is LB1035A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1035A on Final Reading]

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**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1035A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1035A passes. The next bill is LB1051. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 42 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1051]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1051 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1051 passes. The next bill is LB1069 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All

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those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1069]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1069 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1069 passes with the emergency clause. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign the following bills: LB685, LB685A, LB686, LB829, LB829A, LB840, LB852, LB856, LB867 with the emergency clause, LB867A with the emergency clause, LB870, LB870A, LB874, LB876, LB876A, LB904, LB904A, LB932, LB934 with the emergency clause, LB1017, LB1027, LB1030 with the emergency clause, LB1031 with the emergency clause, LB1031A with the emergency clause, LB1035, LB1035A, LB1051, and LB1069 with the emergency clause. Senator McKinney, you're recognized to speak.

**McKINNEY:** Thank you, Mr. President. I've been trying to think about what I was going to say when they asked me to do this. But Senator Wayne, who has been nothing short of being a big brother since I've been down in the Legislature, and it's hard to think about him not being here, honestly, because I'm like, dang, it's my big brother. I go down, ask for advice and try to get some guidance when I need it. Senator Wayne was the Chair of the Urban Affairs Committee for six

years, and he-- him and Senator McDonnell might be the reason for the 20-bill limit, but. And he's been the Chair of the Judiciary Committee, and that's been enjoyable. And we've-- since I've been here, we've been able to form a, a great relationship. I think people always wonder about our relationship. But the funny thing about it is, after my first session, I didn't think we had one. We, we didn't talk for, like, two weeks. And then we got together and we just started to connect and bond a lot better and bond more over time. And I really appreciate it. And you've done a lot of things down here that I don't think you probably get your just due for-- not even just for your district, but for the whole state. You passed many bills, and a lot of bills didn't even, you know, affect your community at first, like the inland port. It was something-- it, it was a idea you had. And just into this year, we have a inland port established in Omaha. But that's just one thing. I love your knowledge on the rules of this place and just listening to you go back and forth with either Brandon or Patrick when he was here about the rules or calling the question or what was going on down here. But I think everybody would say you would be missed in this place, honestly. You bring a different energy when you walk into this room and walk into this body. And sometimes, you know, we may agree or disagree on things, and I think that goes for everybody. But I think at the core of it, I know you try to be yourself and I think you're probably misunderstood more than understood by many people. But I just want to tell you, like, you're really appreciated. And everything that you've done I think people will appreciate when you're not here. But I want to give you your flowers today. But I also wanted to give you-- I was like, let me think of a quote or try to find a quote that I think fits Senator Wayne, and I found one from Maynard Jackson, who was the former mayor of Atlanta. And the quote is: Leadership is not about being popular. It's about doing what's right. And you take votes or you do things that people might think is crazy, or why is he doing this? What is wrong with Se-- Senator Wayne? But I know at the core of it and getting to know you a lot more, you're always trying to do the right thing for this body, this state, and for your family. So can we all thank Senator Wayne for his service?

**KELLY:** Senator Ibach would like to announce some guests in the north balcony: fourth graders from Sumner-Eddyville-Miller. Please stand up and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. Next bill on Final Reading is LB1073 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to

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dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 34 ayes, 7 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1073]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1073 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Jacobson, Lowe, Meyer, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present, not voting, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1073 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1074 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All of those in favor vote aye; all of those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 37 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1074]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1074 pass with the emergency

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clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay.  
Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1074 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1074A with the emergency clause.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1074A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1074A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay.  
Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1074A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1088. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Mr. President, before we proceed with the first vote: Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, I have FA428 and MO1406 both with notes you wish to withdraw.

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**KELLY:** Those are withdrawn. So ordered. This is LB1088. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1088]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1088 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1088 passes. The next bill is LB1092. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 35 ayes, 8 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is disposed with. Please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1092]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1092 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Clements,

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DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Erdman, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, and Walz. Voting nay: Senator Conrad, Dungan, and Hunt. Not voting: Senators Blood, Bostar, John Cavanaugh, Machaela Cavanaugh, Day, Fredrickson, McKinney, Wayne, Wishart, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 35 ayes, 3 nays, 9 present, not voting, 2 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1092 passes. The next bill is LB1108 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 37 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1108]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1108 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavana-- John Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1108 with the emergency clause passes. The next bill is LB1120. Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Mr. President, I had a motion from Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, but I have a note that she wishes to withdraw.



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**KELLY:** Without objection. It is withdrawn. Members, this is LB1120. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All of those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 38 ayes, 2 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Please read the title, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1120]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1120 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Ca-- John Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, Hunt, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1120 passes. Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Mr. President, with respect to LB1169, Senator Machaela Cavanaugh had filed FA334, but I have a note she wishes to withdraw.

**KELLY:** So ordered. The next bill is the-- LB1169. The first motion and vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 35 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1169]

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**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1169 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Clements, Conrad, Day, Dorn, Dover, Erdman, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, and Wayne. Voting no: Senators Blood, Dungan, Fredrickson, and Wishart. Not voting: Senator Bostar, John Cavanaugh, Machaela Cavanaugh, DeBoer, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 39 ayes, 4 nays, 4 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1169 passes. The next bill is LB1195. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 39 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1195]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1195 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Armendariz, Kauth, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 45, 0 nays, 2 present, voting, 2 excused, not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1195 passes. Senator Linehan, you are recognized to speak.

**LINEHAN:** Thank you, Mr. President. First, I want [INAUDIBLE]. I woke up this morning and I'm like, what? Today? I thought it was next week. But my panic was short-lived. It's not hard to pay tribute to Senator Slama, Senator Slama. Two years ago, I was honored to give Brett-- Senator Brett Lindstrom's farewell. And I mentioned his GQ style, so I would be remiss if I didn't mention now how fantastic Senator Slama looks every day even though she has a new baby. And trust me, that's no small task. Senator Slama's a small-town Nebraska girl-- I actually grew up in the same legislative district as Senator Slama-- who has managed-- and this is not necessarily in order-- to graduate from Yale, get elected to the Legislature, also graduate from law school, chair the Banking Committee, marry, and become a mother in a few short years. I think we all forget she's not yet 30 years old. Her professional and personal accomplishments are astounding. You all might wonder why I'm in a panic when she's not in her seat. I got one example. I went back through our texts. It's from January 31 at 10:31 a.m. at-- yes. "I need you. Where are you?" I hope this doesn't make her mad. "I'm pumping. I'll be there in five minutes." "We're filibustering your bill." And I've never done a filibuster. I'm like, oh, Lord. Today we're in trouble. So-- and I don't know if any of you've noticed, but whenever I'm in a debate and somebody is filibustering one of my bills or my weak effort at filibustering somebody else's bills, even if Julie's on the other-- Senator-- excuse me-- Senator Slama's on the other side, I'm dragging her around the floor. What do I do now? What do I do now? Because I worked-- didn't know a lot of things, [INAUDIBLE] the rules. I also-- as Senator Wayne must be back there chuckling, I thought I was your partner on that. He is, but Julie's right there. And when I need her, she's very good about staying right there. And it's been a huge help to me the whole time I've been here. Senator Slama is the embodiment of all Nebraska's strong women, both fictional and real, who came before her. One of my favorite authors is Willa Cather. My favorite novel is *O Pioneers!* The heroine is Alexandra Bergson, who gives her all to others and realizes at the end you owe it to yourself to take care of yourself and those you love. *O Pioneers!*-- this is a review from Penguin Book. *O Pioneers!* is a work in which triumph is enmeshed with tragedy, a story of people who do not claim the land so much as they submit to it, and in the process become greater than they were. Another of my favorite quotes, from Cather's *Song of the Lark*: There's some things you learn best in the calm and some in the storm. Senator Slama has weathered the storm, became stronger for the fire, and, most importantly,

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Senator Slama has made the right choice. She chose her family, Andrew and Win, and they will forever be grateful.

**KELLY:** Continuing with Final Reading. The next bill is LB1197. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 41 ayes, 2 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1197]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1197 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Conrad, Day, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama-- Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cav-- John Cavanaugh, Machaela Cavanaugh, Clements, DeBoer, Slama, DeKay, and Raybould. Senator Slama voting yes. Vote is 43 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1197 passes. The next bill is LB1200 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All of those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 41 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1200]

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**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1200 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay and Raybould. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1200 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1200A with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 37 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1200A]

**KELLY:** All purs-- provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1200A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Bostar, DeKay, Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** LB1200A passes with the emergency clause. Senator DeKay has some guests in the north balcony: fifth graders from Creighton Community School. Please stand and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. The next bill on Final Reading is LB1284 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 35 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1284]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1284 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Clements, Hardin, Lowe, Riepe, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1284 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1284A with the emergency clause.

**CLERK:** [Read LB1284A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1284A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bo-- Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh,

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Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, McDonnell, McKinney, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Clements, Lowe, Riepe, DeKay, and Raybould. Vote is 43 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1284A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1288. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 36 ayes, 2 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1288]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1288 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Armendariz, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hughes, Hunt, McDonnell, McKinney, Moser, Riepe, Sanders, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Clements, Erdman, Hardin, Ibach, Jacobson, Lippincott, Lowe, Slama. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Ballard, Bostelman, Halloran, Holdcroft, Kauth, Linehan, Meyer, Murman, DeKay, Raybould. Vote is 30 ayes, 8 nays, 9 present, not voting, 2 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1288 passes. The next bill is LB1300 with the emergency clause. Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, series of withdrawals. Senator Bostar, I have several floor amendments with notes that you wish to withdraw.

**KELLY:** Without objection. So ordered.

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**CLERK:** Mr. President: Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, I have floor amendments as well with notes that you would withdraw those.

**KELLY:** So ordered.

**CLERK:** In that case, Mr. President, I have nothing further.

**KELLY:** Members, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 39 ayes, 2 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1300]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1300 with the emergency clause pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay, McKinney, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1300 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1300A with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 37 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.



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**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1300A]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1300A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay, McKinney, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1300A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1306. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 38 ayes, 2 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1306]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1306 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Hunt, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne,

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Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeKay, McKinney, and Raybould. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1306 passes. The next bill is LB1306A with the emergency clause.

**CLERK:** [Read LB1306A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1306A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, and Raybould. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 4 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1306A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1329. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 37 ayes, 1 nay to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1329]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1329 be passed? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Clements,

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**KELLY:** LB1329 passes. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign legislative bills LB1073 with the emergency clause, LB1074 with the emergency clause, LB1074A with the emergency clause, LB1088, LB1092, LB1108 with the emergency clause, LB1120, LB1169, LB1195, LB1197, LB1200 with the emergency clause, LB1200A with the emergency clause, LB1284 with the emergency clause, LB1284A with the emergency clause, LB1288, LB1300 with the emergency clause, LB1300A with the emergency clause, LB1306, LB1306A with the emergency clause, and LB1329. The next bill for Final Reading is LB1329A. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 35 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of 1329A]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law having-- relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1329A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Arch, Bostar, Machaela Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, Dungan, Linehan, Meyer, von Gillern, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, and Raybould. Senator Arch voting yes. Senator Meyer voting yes. Senator Dungan voting yes. Senator

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Hansen had voting yes. Senator Linehan voting yes. Senator Conrad voting yes. Senator Clements voting yes. Senator von Gillern voting yes. Vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present, not voting, 5 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1329A passes. The next bill is LB1335. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 31 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is disposed of. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1335]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1335 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Blood, John Cavanaugh, and Dungan. Not voting: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Bostar, Machaela Cavanaugh, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Senator Aguilar voting yes. Vote is 36 ayes [SIC-- 35], 3 nays, 3 present, not voting [SIC-- 4], 7 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1335 passes. The next bill is LB1344. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 33 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

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**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1344]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1344 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Murman, Riepe, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Bostar, Dungan, Moser, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Senator Bostar voting yes. Senator Dungan voting yes. Vote is 41 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 7 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1344 passes. The next bill is LB1344A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1344A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1344A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Aguilar, Halloran, Jacobson, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Vote is 39 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present, not voting, 7 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1344A passes. The next bill is LB1355 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 31 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

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**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1355]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1355 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Aguilar, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Vote is 41 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 7 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1355 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1355A with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 34 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1355A]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1355A pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Vargas, von

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Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Erdman, Hughes, Aguilar, Day, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Senator Aguilar voting yes. Senator Hughes voting yes. Vote is 41 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 7 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1355A passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1368. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 33 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1368]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1368 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dover, Dorn, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 7 excused and not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1368 passes. The next bill is LB1368A.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read LB1368A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1368A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh,

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Cavanaugh, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Bostelman, Clements, Dover, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Vote is 39 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present, not voting, 7 excused, not voting.

**KELLY:** LB1368A passes. The next bill is LB1370 with an emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All of those in favor vote aye; all of those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** 33 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**ASSISTANT CLERK:** [Read title of LB1370]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1370 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Erdman, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Bostar, Dungan, Fredrickson, Riepe, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, Slama. Senator Fredrickson voting yes. Senator Dungan voting yes. Vote is 40 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present, not voting, 7 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1370 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1393 with the emergency clause. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All of those in favor vote aye; all of those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.



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**CLERK:** 32 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1393]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1393 pass with the emergency clause? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Members, the-- all provision-- go ahead and vote. You, you may vote on LB1393 with the emergency clause. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Riepe, Sa-- Riepe, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 7 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1393 passes with the emergency clause. The next bill is LB1394. Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Mr. President: Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, I have FA335 with a note that you with-- wish to withdraw.

**KELLY:** So ordered.

**CLERK:** In that case, Mr. President, I have nothing further.

**KELLY:** Members, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** 35 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

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**CLERK:** [Read title of LB1394]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1394 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, Riepe, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, Slama. Senator Machaela Cavanaugh voting yes. Vote is 41 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 7 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1394 passes. Next bill is LB1394A.

**CLERK:** [Read LB1394A on Final Reading]

**KELLY:** All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1394A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Voting aye: Senators Albrecht, Arch, Armendariz, Ballard, Blood, Bosn, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Conrad, DeBoer, Dorn, Dover, Dungan, Erdman, Fredrickson, Halloran, Hansen, Hardin, Holdcroft, Hughes, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Linehan, Lippincott, Lowe, McDonnell, Meyer, Moser, Murman, Vargas, von Gillern, Walz, Wayne, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Aguilar, Riepe, Day, DeKay, Hunt, McKinney, Raybould, Sanders, and Slama. Senator Aguilar voting yes. Vote is 41 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting, 7 excused, not voting, Mr. President.

**KELLY:** LB1394A passes. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign LB1329A, LB1335, LB1344, LB1344A, LB1355 with the emergency clause, LB1355A with the emergency clause, LB1368, LB1368A, LB1370 with the emergency clause, LB1393 with the emergency clause, LB1394, and LB1394A. Mr. Clerk.

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**CLERK:** Mr. President, committee report: the General Affairs Committee would report favorably on the gubernatorial appointment of Don F. Gerjevic and Michael M. Hunsberger to the State Electrical Board.

**ARCH:** Senator Lowe, you're welcome to open on the report.

**LOWE:** Thank you, Mr. President. And well done, Brandon. You got close. Today, I present for you Don F. Gervedic [PHONETIC]. And Don is a new appointment to the board, and he is serving in the position of representing the electrical inspectors. He currently works as chief electrical inspector for the city of Omaha. I also present Michael M. Hunsberger. He is a reappointment to the State Electrical Board, and he serves in the position to represent the journeyman electricians. He has worked as an electrician for 30 years in western Nebraska. Thank you, Mr. President.

**ARCH:** Seeing no one in the queue. You're welcome to close. Senator Lowe waives close. Colleagues, the question before the body is the adoption of the General Affairs report. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

**CLERK:** 35 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee report, Mr. President.

**ARCH:** The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, the General Affairs Committee would report favorably on the appointment of Jeanne Salerno to the Nebraska Arts Council.

**ARCH:** Senator Lowe, you're welcome to open.

**LOWE:** Jeanne Salerno for the Nebraska Arts Council is a new appointment to the council. She represents Congressional District 2. She grew up in Cozad and currently lives in Omaha and works as the administrator for Kutak Rock and is currently the unofficial curator for the firm's extensive contemporary art collection. She also is currently serving on the Board of the Museum of Nat-- Nebraska Art. Thank you, Mr. President.

**ARCH:** Seeing no one in the queue. You're welcome to close. Senator Lowe waives close. Question before the body is the adoption of the

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General Affairs report. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

**CLERK:** 36 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee report, Mr. President.

**ARCH:** The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, the Agriculture Committee would report favorably on the gubernatorial appointment of Brenda R. Masek to the Nebraska Brand Committee.

**ARCH:** Senator Halloran, you're welcome to open.

**HALLORAN:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Agriculture Committee reports favorably on the appointment of Brenda Musek to the Nebraska Brand Committee. Ms. Musek appeared to the confirmation hearing on April 10. She was very forthright in responding to questions. Although she will be very new to the-- member of the Brand Committee, she brings to the job a great deal of background experience with brand law and discussions surrounding it. The committee voted 7-0 with one absent member to recommend approval of her appointment. I would move adoption of the Ag Committee report. Thank you, Mr. President.

**ARCH:** Seeing no one in the queue. You're welcome to close. Senator Halloran waives close. Question before the body is the adoption of the Agriculture Committee report. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

**CLERK:** 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the committee report.

**ARCH:** The report is adopted. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, items for the record. Bills read this, this afternoon were presented to the Governor. Additionally, new LR: LR495 from the Judiciary Committee. That will be referred to the Executive Board. Explanation of vote from Senator Hunt. Series of name adds: Senator Conrad to LB25; Senator Ballard, LB71; Senator Fredrickson, LB196, as well as Senator Blood and Ballard; Senator Machaela Cavanaugh, LB233; Ballard, LB934; Vargas, LB937; McDonnell, LB937; Brewer and Ballard, LB1300; Ballard to LB1329, LB1394; Senator Vargas also LB1394. Mr. President, the Legislative Oversight Review Special

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Committee will meet on Thursday, April 18 at 8:30 in room 2102.  
Finally, Mr. President, a priority motion: Senator Walz would move to adjourn the body until Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

**ARCH:** Colleagues, you've heard the motion. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed, nay. We are adjourned.