

hospital facilities throughout the country are now developing video tape rooms and facilities such as Mayo's already has this. Mayo Clinic provides a place where this kind of deposition can be taken. We also have professional teams of electronic specialists, lawyers and electronic specialists who do this kind of work in the major cities in the nation. It is a step forward, a progressive step in, in bringing the courts up to date in using modern methods to move the trials along, speed the trials along. It saves money and it has already been used and approved of in the Federal Courts. We are asking that it be done in the District Courts of our State. The--it has been done experimentally with the agreement of counsel and court but this would then be made upon the request of an individual. It could be part of our procedural system.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of the bill? Senator Kelly, do you wish to be heard on the bill? Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Question of Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Yes sir.

SENATOR KELLY: In your opinion, are there sufficient safeguards against fraud or changing of any of those types?

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Yes sir. We had a demonstration before our committee of the video tape, the, and, of course, there is just as much protection in this kind of a thing as somebody changing a deposition which is read into the record, absolutely.

SENATOR KELLY: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Once again, any further discussion of the bill? Senator Luedtke, back to you. What is your pleasure?

SENATOR LUEDTKE: I have already moved and I have nothing more to say.

PRESIDENT: Very good. The question is, shall LB 504 be advanced from general file to E&R initial? All those in favor will vote aye. All those opposed will vote no. Motion is to advance LB 504. Thank you. The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, no nays, 22 not voting.

PRESIDENT: Bill is advanced. This brings up general file consideration of LB 226.

CLERK: Legislative Bill 226. Introduced by the Judiciary Committee. Signed by Senator Luedtke, Chairman. (read). There are amendments to the bill, Mr. President, by the Judiciary Committee.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 226. Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. I think if, a little bit of introduction of what this bill is all about before I get into the amendments. This is the bill which we had promised we would bring into this session of the Legislature, namely the Judiciary Committee, to update and bring everything into the Court Reform Act, the follow up on LB 1032 that, the judges and the court administrator thought was necessary to make our court system operate efficiently. We said that we would do this. There were several technical matters which were brought to our attention late in the last session which we said we would bring in. This is LB 226. The amendments merely add to that because as we had the hearing we got into a number of other areas that we thought should be