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(Begin Belt #1)

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PRESIDENT: Legislature will please come to order. We will have our prayer by our Chaplain, Dr. Robert Palmer.

CHAPLAIN: Gave prayer.

PRESIDENT: Roll call. Indicate your presence again, please. There was a problem up here. You'll have to push your own buttons again. Have you all indicated your presence? Clerk will record.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Legislature is in order....in session. Any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: Mr. President, there is a correction, etc. Read corrections.

PRESIDENT: Any petitions or memorials?

CLERK: Mr. President, a lobbyist report will be inserted in the Journal for a lobbyist who filed with my office this week. LB721 replaced on Select File as amended. LB949 replaced on Select File as amended. LB1024 replaced on Select File as amended. LB942 replaced on Select File as amended. LB327 replaced on Select File as amended. LB616 replaced on Select File as amended. LB788 replaced on Select File as amended. Correctly enrolled - 646, 735, 737, 738, 739, 742, 744, 748, 828, 833, 855, 975, 975A, 722, 747 and 794.

PRESIDENT: Are there any notices of committee hearings?

CLERK: None, Mr. President. We did receive a communication from Edwin Smith, Clerk of the House of Representatives, State of Montana forwarding a copy of a Resolution expressing the will of the Legislature from Montana being in opposition to the registration and confiscation of firearms. This Resolution will be on file in my office.

PRESIDENT: Any other reports?

CLERK: None, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Then we're ready for Final Reading. No Final Reading bill? Senator Carpenter. Senator Carpenter, is your button on down there? You're turned on up here but you're not turned on down there...some place. Touch your black button.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Carpenter asked me the question this morning in regard to the timing of legislative bills for the phase-out of the session. If it's the Legislative desire that you take a week off after the last legislative day as you did in 1973 for the purpose of reviewing any gubernatorial vetoes that may come over, it would be necessary to complete your work by the 59th day. In that event, any bill that you desire to have passed would have to be reported correctly engrossed by the 57th day to meet the constitutional requirement of laying over the 58th day and being read on the 59th day. As to when bills could be taken off of General File or Select File would become merely a mechanical problem as to how fast E & R could process them. But they would have to be reported and correctly engrossed by the 57th day.