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PRESIDENT: In just a few moments, but the question is whether or not the body is going to consider it today or tomorrow. That's all we're voting on now is whether to take it up today. Senator Murphy. Have it relate specifically to the days, would you Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Mr. President, I'm wondering if, in as much as the Speaker will be back tomorrow and it is his bill, one day is going to make that much difference or if it might not be philosophically a little wiser to have the Speaker here.

SENATOR KELLY: He won't be here till Friday.

SENATOR MURPHY: I'm sorry. It was my understanding that he would be back tomorrow, Senator.

SENATOR KELLY: Yes, he won't be here tomorrow either Senator Murphy.

PRESIDENT: Alright, the question is whether to take up the matter of the motion to reconsider 202 at this time. We are not voting on the reconsideration of it. Please record your vote. Have you voted? Record Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 20 ayes, 17 nays.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails.

There are two other groups with us. In the South balcony, Senator Murphy asked me to announce, there are 15 high school students from Homer, Nebraska. In the North balcony, as guests of Senator Marsh, we have some 30 students from Southeast Community College. All of us welcome you here and we hope that somebody learns something today. Thank you for coming.

We'll go to General File.

CLERK: Read title to LB 287.

PRESIDENT: Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President, I move that LB 287 be advanced to E & R initial. LB 287 is a bill introduced by the Judiciary Committee at the request of the court administrator and the Supreme Court with regard to the payment of funds into the general fund on court costs in order to more appropriately cover the costs of the court system in the state under our unified court system of the district and county courts. Presently, we have a court cost system, all of which goes into the general fund, of \$6 plus \$1 for the Judicial Retirement Fund and \$1 for a Law Enforcement Improvement Fund for the law enforcement school, for a total of \$8. This would increase that by \$2 so that the court costs would be \$8 plus \$1 and \$1, or a total of \$10. Mr. Dunlevey, the Court Administrator, who appeared before the committee advised us that the additional fee would generate about \$350,000 for the general fund and would also increase revenues for the cities of Omaha and Lincoln, since these two cities still have a municipal court system. For this reason the committee felt