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and so it is a gradual turnover that we need to do and I don't think this will cause any problems for the state so I support the resolution.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cavanaugh, close debate please. He declines. The question is the adoption of the resolution. Record your vote. Have you voted? Have you all voted? Please vote. Record.

CLERK: 22 ayes, 15 nays.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, another resolution, Legislative Resolution 202 introduced by Senator Bereuter, Maresh and Kremer. Read resolution. See pages 1618 and 1619, Journal.

PRESIDENT: Senator Bereuter.

SENATOR BEREUTER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Maresh, Kremer and I are introducing this resolution relating to the ice storm that affected sixteen county areas in south central Nebraska. I would call your attention to one change I have made since I passed out the material to you on your desk. We simply forgot to commend the telephone companies for their tremendous job so that has been added. It is important as far as section 6 is concerned. I suspect that without too much question at all the economic loss suffered on a per capita basis in this instance is far greater than that related to the Omaha tornado and we are concerned that the Public Federal Disaster Act money be permitted to be used for public power districts to restore their systems. Incidentally, that precedence was established in relationship to OPPD for the Omaha disaster. Some of the private power companies are not too enthused about expenditure of the federal funds for such public power systems but it is legitimate concern and we need to urge Congress to utilize these Federal Disaster funds to cope with the twenty to thirty million dollars worth of damage to the public power systems in south central Nebraska. Therefore, I urge you to vote yes for the adoption of this resolution.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of this resolution. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays. I have already announced the vote. Mr. President, I have a motion. I move we consider pending rule changes in the Journal. Signed Senator Carsten.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Now, Mr. President and members of the Legislature, we have for days considered things with this body that I assume were important at the time but we have completely ignored any process for making any changes in rules for this body that may very well help this body to operate better and I think even as late as this hour is