

May 9, 1977

LB 514, 531, 182, 522

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: We will have the morning prayer with the Reverend Bob Ohman, Associate Pastor, Westminster Presbyterian Church.

PASTER OHMAN: Prayer.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Register your presence.

CLERK: Senator Kelly asked to be excused this a.m. Senators Boughn, Swigart, Venditte, Koch, F. Lewis, Burrows and Brennan ask to be excused until they arrive. Senator Fitzgerald and Labedz ask to be excused until they arrive.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Duis, is there something you wish to say. Senator Chambers. Since we are not officially in session, whatever you say is unofficial. So go ahead. Senator Chambers, that is the forecast by Bill Peters' office, by the Tax Commissioner's office. While we are waiting I might just unofficially state to the body the reason there is no General File listed on the agenda today is that I have kind of decided to take the advice of Senator Pieper and that is to cool it for the rest of the session and therefore not worry about any bills getting off of General File. And for those of you that have bills, it is up to you to bring them up in any way you want to. You can have a motion to bring them up and we will see how that works. Maybe that will work more smoothly than by having an agenda with bills in a certain order. Meanwhile, since I mentioned to you a week ago that we have ten days in which to do our work, half of those days are gone and we haven't got the first preference bill off of General File yet. We only have 40 or 50 of them to take care of and we have got five of the ten days already gone. We have five days left. I guess what I am saying to you as a practical matter, the Speaker does not see anyway possible in which to cover very many of these preference bills. So I guess I am going to leave it up to you as to the priority in which you want to take them up since a lot of you, I think, are in the same mood I am and that is to do our business, finish our job, take care of the bills on Select File, take care of the appropriations bills and go home. That seems to be the prevailing attitude. If you have any change in the attitude on that, why you may make any motions you want to this morning to take up General File when we get to it. That is up to you. A quorum is now present. The Legislature is in session. Roll call shows a quorum present. Journal corrections, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: None, Mr. President.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Notices, reports, announcements.

CLERK: Mr. President, a communication from the Executive Office under date of May 5th, 1977 addressed to Vincent Brown, Clerk of the Legislature. Read. (See page 1885, Legislative Journal.) Mr. President, your committee on Enrollment and Review reports we have examined and reviewed LB 518 and recommend it be replaced on Select File as amended; 531 replaced on Select File as amended; 182 replaced on Select File as amended. Signed Senator Cullan, Chairman. Mr. President, your committee on Enrollment and Review reports we have examined and reviewed LB 522 and recommend, and find that the same is correctly engrossed. Signed Senator Cullan, Chairman. That is all, Mr. President.

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