

CLERK: LR 79, Mr. President. This is found on page 1794 of the Legislative Journal. Introduced by the Public Works Committee.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Chair recognizes Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, we discussed, briefly, this resolution one day last week, I forget which day. You will recall that Senator Frank Lewis requested more information be available. I did lay on the desk of each senator, the next day, a complete review of the material that would be necessary in becoming acquainted with the content of the resolution. I will review, again very briefly, for you what the intent is. We do know that there is a proposal to bring natural gas, it's so critical to the economy of our country, and there is such a shortage of natural gas, from Alaska down through Canada. These two proposals do. The other would bring the natural gas down through the lower Southwest corner of Canada. Then it would be liquified and be transported by water and would do us no good. There are two other proposals that would benefit Nebraska, but the proposal that is probably of most interest to Nebraska is the Alaskan Gas Transportation, or the Arctic gas project. The information laid on your desk tells you about the route which directions would take. I would like to alert the members of the Legislature again that the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Act offers to state and federal authorities an opportunity to give recommendations to the President by July the 1st. Since the Arctic gas project is the most attractive to Nebraska, and will do the most good for us, and will be the least expensive and provide natural gas at the least rate to the people of Nebraska, and hook in with the gas lines that are in existence here, we feel that the route proposed in this resolution be the one that ought to be adopted. It would certainly state Nebraska's position to the President of the United States when he has to make a decision which one of these three proposals he will need to implement. Again, as Chairman of the Committee who signed this resolution, I move that LR 79 be adopted.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Any further discussion on LR 79? Alright the motion before the House is the adoption of LR 79. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? We're voting on LR 79. If you want to vote I'll give you some time to get down here to vote. Record the vote.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to adopt.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: LR 79 is adopted. Next we'll take up LR 82.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 82. It's page 1862 of the Legislative Journal.

(Senator Marvel presiding)

SENATOR MARVEL: Chair recognizes Senator Luedtke.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I believe there is an amendment up there by Senator Lewis. Is Frank Lewis here? Otherwise, I would just accept the amendment. We might just take up the amendment.

CLERK: The motion is to amend LR 82. (Read F. Lewis amendment found on page 1940 of the Journal).