

May 18, 1977

PRESIDENT: All rise for the morning prayer.

CHAPLAIN: Prayer.

PRESIDENT: The Legislature will come to order. Roll call. Record your presence.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Simon and Senator Reutzel asked to be excused till they arrive. Senator Schmit would like to be excused till he arrives.

PRESIDENT: Have you all recorded your presence? Record Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Corrections to the Journal.

CLERK: None, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Are there corrections from the floor? Seeing none, it shall stand. The Chair recognizes the Speaker for purposes of an opening announcement and discussion of the agenda.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. First of all as of today's agenda, the agenda was printed up before we adjourned. So, obviously, the first on Select File ...we will finish what we were working on yesterday. In other words, we have 549 pending. We'll go on to 543 and 533 before we take up the Select File on today's agenda. Then the rest of the agenda follows. The other matter is the adjournment until Thursday was obviously a mistake that should have, according to our former schedule, it should have been Tuesday. However, I have been discussing this with a number of you and just discussed it with Emory Burnett. It appears that we could just as well come back Monday and finish our business by Wednesday, which would then move everything up a day. Then that would mean that sine die could be Wednesday the 1st of June, rather than the 2nd of June on Thursday. So this would work better into the schedule of an awful lot of you, I know because you've discussed it with me at length. As long as we can get our work out, get everything certified over by that Monday, next Monday, I think that would probably be the better schedule. More of you will be available for Monday. I know several of you will be gone Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday anyway. So we can't do anything about that. The plan of the Speaker is to then ask today to adjourn until Monday, we better make it at this...we'll have Final Reading won't we on Monday, or will we? Nine o'clock would probably still be good enough. So nine o'clock, but not ten o'clock for that Monday. We'll have to make it nine o'clock for this Monday. Be the last Monday any way.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: I have a question of the Speaker. My question is why are we changing the agenda because it was just made up last week. Some of us have made plans based on that agenda. I would like to know the reason why the agenda is suddenly being changed again, right here at the end.