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SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the motion? Seeing none, the question is, shall the amendment be adopted? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 44 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the amendment, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted. Senator Warner. The motion is to readvance. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Ayes have it, carried. It is readvanced. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do I sign Engrossed LB 287, and Engrossed LB 532. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next item for consideration is priority bill 446. LB 446 is on General File. It was introduced by Senator Labeledz. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 21, referred to Business and Labor, advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending by the Business and Labor Committee, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: On the committee amendments, Chairman Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members. LB 446 was brought to the Business and Labor Committee by Senator Labeledz, as the Clerk just stated. It is a bill that deals with unemployment compensation. The bill originally came to the committee with an adjustment in the total table, and an increase of the maximum allowable benefit to \$165 from \$126, which is the current maximum. The committee amendments do two things. First they strike the original adjustment in the table and reinstate the old table and add four new steps, each step being a \$2.00 increment so that the only effect on the benefit amount is to the maximum end where that is raised from \$126 to \$134. So the total increase in the bill is an \$8.00 increase over the present maximum rate of \$126. So we are going from 126 to 134. That, Mr. President, is the committee amendments and that becomes the bill. The increase would then be dropped from 165, in the original form, to 134 through the committee amendments. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. An amendment to the committee amendments.