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SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: (Recorder not activated immediately) St. Patrick's Day. Welcome to the George Norris Legislative Chamber for this, the Forty-sixth Day, in our Second Session of the Ninetieth Legislature. The Chaplain for the day, Reverend Tom Larsen, Zion Lutheran Church, Benedict, Nebraska. Reverend Larsen.

REVEREND LARSEN: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Reverend Larsen. Roll call.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Reports, messages, or announcements.

CLERK: Mr. President, one item, I have a report from the Department of Personnel regarding the State Employees Collective Bargaining Act, and that will be on file in my office. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The Chair would like to take a moment (gavel) to introduce to the Legislature four very special guests this morning under the north balcony. We have visiting from the country of Togo on the west coast of Africa four members of the National Assembly, and as they are introduced, I would like to have them stand individual; Mr. Ablam, a member of the National Assembly and a member of the Togolese Central Committee, Mr. Ablam; a member of the National Assembly, Mr. Gaba, Mr. Gaba; a member of the National Assembly and a member of the Togolese Central Committee, Mr. Koulalo, Mr. Koulalo; a member of the National Assembly and a member of the Togolese Central Committee, Mr. Yagla, Mr. Yagla; and with these four very distinguished gentlemen, we have their United States escort interpreters, Mr. Andy LeCompte and Mr. Michael Rengstorf. Would you gentlemen please stand. We are delighted to have you with us today. We are delighted to have you observing the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature. Mr. Clerk, to General File, LB 1041.

CLERK: LB 1041 is on General File. It is the mainline deficiency appropriations bill. I believe, Mr. President, we are discussing, our Legislature is discussing a new section,