

February 10, 1992 LB 145, 614, 671, 696, 728, 812, 898, 998

CLERK: Mr. President, amendments to be printed to LB 998 by Senator Conway; Senator Bernard-Stevens to LB 145. Bills read on Final Reading this morning have been presented to the Governor. (Re. LB 671 and LB 696.) And I have a motion from Senator Abboud regarding priority bill designation, that will be laid over, Mr. President. (Re. LB 812 and LB 728. See pages 750-53 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, LB 898 was a bill originally introduced by Senator Warner. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 8 of this year, at that time was referred to the Government Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending by the Government Committee.

SPEAKER BAACK: To the Chair of the Government Committee, Senator Conway.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. LB 898, which was brought to us by Senator Warner, which was, as the Clerk described, a clarification of some of the Exec Board responsibilities with respect to legislative staff and legal counsel...or, excuse me, legislative research staff, it also goes on, as Senator Warner I'm sure will address, the discussion relative to the question associated with the approval of the Legislature versus the Exec Board when it comes to the Director of Research, which was raised last year as a question. Following the hearing, the committee reviewed the legislation and recognized that on page 2, where we deal with the activity associated with the Executive Board, this would be a time to also, obviously because of the LB 614 redistricting, to include in the codification the inclusion of who represents the Exec Board members. In a minute you'll be passed out, if a Page would come over and pick up some passouts right now, I forgot to get those passed out to you, you'll see the specific assignments for the Exec Board as the Exec Board would break down into the three caucuses that was aligned by the committee. That is basically the committee amendment to include that into the bill which fits specifically on page 2 as it describes the specific legislative districts that are in each of the three Executive Board caucus groups. So, basically, that is the committee amendment. And, as I say, you'll be able to see those specifically, if you like, as they are being passed out.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Conway. Mr. Clerk, an