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SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

SPEAKER BAACK: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. With us for the prayer today we have Pastor Charlene Rollins from Quinn Chapel in Lincoln. Pastor Rollins.

PASTOR ROLLINS: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Pastor Rollins. I now call to order the twenty-eighth day of the Ninety-Third Legislature, First Session. Roll call.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Are there any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Do you have items for the record?

CLERK: Senator Bromm has selected LB 588 as his priority bill, Mr. President. And a notice of hearing from the Education Committee offered by Senator Withem as Chair. That's all that I have.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We'll now proceed to Item 5 on the agenda and the senator priority bill, LB 240.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 240 was introduced by Senator Landis at the request of the Governor and signed by a number of his colleagues. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 11, referred to the Revenue Committee, advanced to General File. I have no amendments at this time, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Landis, would you like to open on the bill?

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I've been here for 15 sessions now and in that time I've seen a great deal of flux in our revenue system. When I first came here we had a Board of Equalization that set our income tax rates for us. They did it as a ministerial function at the end of our budget passing process and when there was the need to raise taxes, they would take a look at the declining revenue forecasts, they'd look at the budgets that we have and they