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LB 397A, 473, 481A, 520A, 561, 647A

whose chairperson is Senator Kristensen reports LB 473 to General File with amendments. (See pages 979-84 of the Legislative Journal.) A series of new A bills. (Read LB 481A, LB 647A, LB 397A, LB 520A by title for the first time. See pages 984-85 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have a reference report of certain gubernatorial appointments. That will be placed in the Journal. And a notice of committee hearing regarding certain appointments by the General Affairs Committee.

SENATOR CROSBY: LB 561.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Madam President, with respect to LB 561, it's a bill that was introduced by Senator Schellpeper. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 20, referred to General Affairs Committee. They report the bill to General File with no committee amendments.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Madam Chairman and members. This bill is called the sting bill. It has been endorsed by everyone that is involved with alcohol in the state. There was no opposition at the committee hearings. The liquor retailers, everybody else is supportive of it. What it does, it puts into law what the State Patrol thought they had the authority to do before, but the Lancaster County District Court said they didn't, that they actually do not. So what we're doing with 561, we're coming in and we're attempting to put it into law so that they will be able to go out and use the underage people as long as they do it in a reasonable manner so that they don't set somebody up, and that's what we're attempting to do with 561. So I'd be glad to answer any questions. It puts the sting operation, I think you heard about that across this whole state, let's them do it in a way that is acceptable to the liquor establishments and also it will help in the law enforcement end of it. Be glad to answer any questions. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Discussion on LB 561. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam Chair and members of the Legislature, I'd like to ask Senator Schellpeper a question or two.