

January 10, 1994 LB 991-1000
 LR 281, 283, 286, 287

CLERK: Madam President, I do. I have a Reference Report referring LBs 913 through 947 and legislative resolutions 282, 284 and 285. I also have a Reference Report regarding certain gubernatorial appointees.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 281, LR 283, LR 286 and LR 287. Mr. Clerk, new bills.

CLERK: Madam President, new bills. (Read LBs 991-1000 by title for the first time. See pages 248-51 of the Legislative Journal.) That is all that I have at this time, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER WITHEM PRESIDING

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We are now on Item 8 on the agenda, the motion to adopt the permanent rules. It is my understanding that Senator Will has not arrived yet, but that Senator Beutler will be handling things. Mr. Clerk, can you refresh our memory as to what is pending?

CLERK: Mr. President, the Rules Committee had reported a series of proposed rules changes to the floor for the full Legislature's consideration. A number of those were discussed Friday. When the Legislature adjourned for the day there was pending a proposed rules change regarding the amending of rules by adding a rule with respect to Election Contest and Qualifications Challenges. That proposed change may be found beginning on page 182 of your Legislative Journal.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler. We've already had the opening on this, but if you'd like to open again to refresh people's memory I will so recognize you.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Withem, members of the Legislature, I thank you. I would just, I think, take two seconds to remind you that what we're dealing with is the omission in our rules of any procedures or a substantive law dealing in the area of election contests and election qualification challenges and so we are taking from the procedures that we've used in the past, from time to time we've had to do this, and so we've taken the best of those procedures and the best of those substantive ideas and we've put them together in one set of procedures to deal with election contests and qualifications and you'll recall that it involves the filing of a petition with the Clerk, the