

"aggrevous" type of a situation where a death penalty perhaps may be required by a sentence of the court. I would suggest that if we must, as the people of the State of Nebraska have told us, require the death of a person who has heinously taken the lives of others in a premeditated manner that society cannot conscience, that we offer some alternatives such as this bill does and I would suggest to you to vote however you feel and don't feel that your vote to advance this bill is an endorsement of the death penalty, nor your vote to not advance is a rejection of the death penalty, but that if we must have it, which statutes say that we must have, that we do this to the best of our ability, to the best of the technical ability that we have. And we all realize as a felon approaches that moment when he enters the gas chamber, when he climbs the gallows, or when he lays down on the bed he realizes that his...that is his last conscious thing that he will ever do in this life and hopefully through this option he may be a little more comfortable with the transition he's about to make. I'd ask for your help in advancing the bill.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Elmer. The question before the house is the advancement of LB 600 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 8 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of LB 600.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: LB 600 advances from General File to E & R Initial. Are there any items for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: There are, Madam President, thank you. New bills. (Read LB 1093-1105 by title for the first time. See pages 313-15 of the Legislative Journal.) A new resolution, LR 296CA by Senator Beutler. (Read brief explanation. See pages 315-16 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have a report of registered lobbyists for the week of January 10 through 12, and I have notice of hearings from the Banking Committee, signed by Senator Landis as its chairperson. That is all that I have, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We move to LB 291.

CLERK: LB 291 was a bill originally introduced by Senator