

January 18, 1994 LB 55, 414, 428, 446, 565, 621, 729, 747
765, 1139-1149
LR 11, 14, 26, 299

Legislative Journal.) Government Committee reports...Chaired by Senator Schimek, reports LB 446 to General File with amendments; LB 621, General File with amendments; and LB 55, LB 428, LB 565, LB 729, LB 747, LB 765, LR 11CA, LR 14CA and LR 26CA, all as indefinitely postponed, all those signed by Senator Schimek as Chair. (See pages 350-51 of the Legislative Journal.)

New bills. (Read LBs 1139-1149 for the first time by title. See pages 351-53 of the Legislative Journal.) And a new resolution, LR 299CA, offered by Senator Witek. (Read brief summary of LR 299CA. See pages 353-54 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We move to LB 414.

CLERK: LB 414, Madam President, the bill originally introduced by the Transportation Committee and signed by its members. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 14 of last year. At that time, it was referred to the Transportation Committee, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Kristensen, do you wish to speak to the committee amendments?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes, Madam President, members of the Legislature, in general, LB 414 was brought to the Transportation Committee approximately two years ago as a general rewrite or a review of sections or Chapters 74 and 75 of our Nebraska statutes. These deal with the Public Service Commission. As you know, the Public Service Commission is that agency that is charged under law and Constitution to deal and regulate with common carriers of which is the subject of this particular piece of legislation. The commission undertook to go and repeal, amend, make recommendations for laws that were either obsolete, unenforceable or in some measure unnecessary. This bill has been with us for a couple of years in committee. This last year the bill was moved out of committee after a good hearing. There are two changes that the committee felt necessary before we consider the entire bill. Those two changes are as follows. Section 82, if you're following along in the green copy of the bill, it amends Section 75-401. This deals with the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission over service facilities and equipment of all maintenance facilities of railroad carriers in the State of Nebraska. Currently, that