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(LB) 307 to Select File. And, Mr. President, the Education Committee reports LB 67 and LB 596 to General File, both having committee amendments attached. That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President. (See pages 514-523 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. General File.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 514 introduced by the Transportation Committee, and signed by its members. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 15 of this year, at that time referred to the Transportation Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending, Mr. President. (See AM0172 found on page 440 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Senator Bromm to open on LB 914 (sic); 914, 514, excuse me, I needed my glasses. Five, there is a little smudge on that deal, 514.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. I don't know much about 914, I hope I know more about 514. Ladies and gentlemen and colleagues, LB 514, if I can hold your attention for just a little bit, maybe the most significant legislation that we are able to deal with out of our committee this session, and that will depend upon the views, I am sure, of many as to whether it is or isn't. But let me tell you that 514 is what the Transportation Committee proposes as the legislative solution for what we had before us last fall as 414. We thought it would be appropriate, since the petition proposal was 414, to call this 514. Now many of you may wonder how you do that, but it's very easy. You file the bill at the right time. You don't pay any attention to when you're filing it or what's ahead or behind, and you wake up at the public hearing and somebody comes in and mistakenly says I am here to talk about 414, I mean 514, and then you realize that, by golly, this is 514, which follows 414. So it's kind of ironic, but this is the Legislature's, at least the Transportation Committee's proposal to deal with access charges, the sunset date on the Telecommunications Universal Service Fund, the powers of the Public Service Commission with respect to regulation of access charges, the