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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD PRESIDING

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the forty-seventh day of the Ninety-Sixth Legislature, First Session. Our chaplain for the day is from Lincoln, Trinity Baptist Church, in Senator Crosby's district, Pastor Dean O'Bryan. Pastor.

PASTOR O'BRYAN: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Pastor O'Bryan. We'll call the day's activities to order. Will senators please record your presence. Members, if I can have your attention while we're gathering. Senator Crosby would announce the following guests are visiting the Legislature: 25 nursing students from Union College, Division of Nursing, in Lincoln, and their teacher (introduced teacher). They're seated in the north balcony. If you'd rise, we'd like to recognize you and welcome you to the Nebraska Legislature. Also, members, Senator Brashear would like to announce that the rolls today are compliments of his graciousness, due to his birthday, which was yesterday, March 16th. Now we had to suspend the rules to allow him to do this a day late. Hopefully, they're not a day old. (Laughter.) But in addition to that, congratulations, Senator Brashear, on your birthday. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: (Read corrections as found on page 1027 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have this morning, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you. Are there any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, there are. Your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports LB 250, (LB) 424, (LB) 552 as correctly engrossed. Education Committee reports LB 354 and (LB) 715 to General File with amendments. Mr. President, we have a new