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LB 681, 753

SENATOR HILGERT: Yes, thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Further debate on advancement? Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: The testimony before the committee, Senator Wehrbein, was that of the existing organizations, the one in the northeast area of Nebraska, and it may not be the Center for Rural Affairs, it may be like an offshoot, because there's more than one, would like to do more. They're probably the only organization that's ready to do more, but they would like to cover broader areas of essentially rural, northern, and central Nebraska. They're ready to do that work, and this limitation stops them from doing that work. That's the real rubber meets the road application of this bill.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Further debate on advancement? Seeing none, Senator Hilgert, you're recognized to close. Waives closing. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 681 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the motion to advance LB 681.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: (LB) 681 advances. LB 753.

CLERK: (LB) 753, by Senator Landis. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 20, referred to Business and Labor, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. This bill was brought to me by a lawyer here in town who had a client, a former state employee, and he wanted to make a claim against the state under the Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection Act. The Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection Act applies to every individual business, partnership, limited liability company, joint stock company, trust, corporation, and