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think, foresighted in our vision to do so. And so please take this information and come to me with any other ideas you might have, anything that might enhance this legislation, and we'll bring it back to you later.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Byars. Mr. Clerk, items for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, thank you. Enrollment and Review reports LB 925, LB 925A, LB 1021, LB 1223, LB 1223A to Select File. Enrollment and Review also reports LB 833A as correctly engrossed. Mr. President, Senator Wehrbein, an amendment to LB 1223A; Senator Landis to LB 932, Senator Engel to LB 1115. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 1592-1601.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, General File, 2000 Speaker priority bills.

CLERK: Mr. President. LB 1025, a bill by Senator Suttle. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 6, referred to the Health Committee, advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM2321, Legislative Journal page 768.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Suttle, you're recognized to open on LB 1025.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. This bill has changed drastically in the amendment that I will introduce to the committee amendment, but I did want to let you know what the original LB 1025 had in mind. The bill contains five parts. One is the scholarship for nursing students, incentives to practice nursing in Nebraska, student loans for nursing students, student loan repayments for nursing students who stay in Nebraska and a Nebraska Center for Nursing. The scholarships and incentives and loans would have been very expensive and the repayments, but it was the only way we could see to meet the problems that the state of Nebraska is meeting at this time with the shortage of nurses. The Center for Nursing is a...the purpose of it is to study the issue of supply