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of this. I think it's important to have some of these explanations in law; that it's better understood. You heard Senator Brashear's explanation. I'm not going to expand on that, but I am, myself, much more comfortable and I've come to learn a lot about this part of the law, not to the extent that I could practice it, but I appreciate the advancement of this bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the closing. Question before the body is the advancement of LB 781. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The bill advances. Before we move on, and I would anticipate that we would not start another bill this morning, there's a memo that's been passed out to you about working into the evenings starting next week, and I want to try to just make you aware of what my plans would generally be. The Appropriations Committee will be placing the budget bill on General File, hopefully by the end of this week. It's my intention we're going to start debate on the budget bills next week and most likely on Tuesday. This is going to give you time to review the committee recommendations and to have questions to the committee, and hopefully it will make it easier to debate the budget when we do that. In terms of going into evening sessions next week, at least for the next two weeks, it's my intention that we work into the evening, and by that I mean somewhere around 6:30, and to do that on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, which is the 24th and the 25th. The week after that it would be Monday and Tuesday, April 30th and May 1st. In my memo I have May 2nd. It should be Tuesday, May 1st. Again, I'd say around 6:30, but that's not a hard and fast rule. Kind of depends on how much progress we're making at that point, the likelihood of making something get accomplished if we have to go a few minutes over to do that. I don't plan to have any meals provided or...you'll have to do those on your own for the next two weeks. I figure if we go to 6:30 that you can make your own plans to do that. It just runs a little easier. Beyond those