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LR 290, 291

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR BROMM: ...a prohibition for open containers. And because there were objections from I...I would say a few senators at that time about having limousine services have this ability, in order to not lose several million dollars of federal funds we went ahead and passed the bill without this provision. Senator Schimek has later come back and...and asked us to take another look at this from a policy standpoint. I think that's appropriate and I...I do appreciate the fact that she's brought the bill. We'll try to answer questions if we can. I certainly understand the position of those who feel that there should...number one, that there should either be no drinking at all anywhere, and I understand for those that would object because they feel that there shouldn't be alcohol in any vehicle. I understand that. But, in this situation, I think it's a safer arrangement to have a hired charter service with...with...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time.

SENATOR BROMM: ...one who can't drink and drive. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign LR 290 and LR 291. Items for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, Business and Labor reports LB 1001 to General File, LB 921 to General File with amendments, and LB 415, LB 456, LB 492, LB 675 indefinitely postponed. Banking Committee reports LB 1089 to General File, LB 1094 to General File, and LB 1139 to General File with amendments. And, Mr. President, amendments to be printed: Senator Brashear, an amendment to LB 82A; Senator Foley to LB 824; Senator Chambers to LB 283; and Senator Janssen to LB 545. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 429-431.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature,