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ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION

SIXTY-SIXTH DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska Tuesday, April 19, 2011

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Pastor Marcellus Howard, Sharon Seventh Day Adventist Church, Omaha.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., Speaker Flood presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Wightman who was excused; and Senator Larson who was excused until he arrives.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the sixty-fifth day was approved.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 84. Pursuant to Rule 1, Sec. 17, Speaker Flood announced that AM1216 and AM1236 to AM1216 would be considered first

Senator Conrad offered the following motion:

MO32

Bracket until January 5, 2012.

The Chair ruled the bracket motion would not be ordered for consideration until after the amendments have been considered.

Senator Conrad raised a point of order on whether the Speaker, pursuant to Rule 1, Sec. 17, can order an amendment to be considered ahead of a priority motion filed pursuant to Rule 7, Sec. 3.

The Chair ruled that, under Rule 1, Sec. 17(c), and according to legislative custom and precedent, an amendment can be ordered for consideration ahead of a priority motion on bills designated as a Speaker's Major Proposal.

Senator Conrad challenged the ruling of the Chair. The question is, "Shall the Chair be overruled?" The motion failed with 6 ayes, 32 nays, 10 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The Chair was sustained.

Senator Fischer withdrew her amendment, AM827, found on page 888.

Senator Flood withdrew his amendment, FA8, found on page 910.

Senator Fischer withdrew her amendment, AM916, found on page 925.

Senator Fischer withdrew her amendment, AM940, found on page 934.

Senator Conrad withdrew her amendment, AM962, found on page 944.

Senator Utter withdrew his amendment, AM958, found on page 944.

Senator Mello withdrew his amendment, AM974, found on page 947.

Senator Louden withdrew his amendment, AM975, found on page 947.

Senator Fischer withdrew her amendment, FA11, found on page 950.

Senator Mello withdrew his amendment, AM980, found on page 963.

Senator Council withdrew her amendment, AM968, found on page 964.

Senator Louden withdrew his amendment, AM999, found on page 975.

Senator Fischer withdrew her amendment, AM1025, found on page 993.

Senator Louden withdrew his amendment, AM1093, found on page 1052.

Senator Fischer renewed her amendment, AM1216, found on page 1204.

Senator Conrad renewed her amendment, AM1236, found on page 1225, to the Fischer amendment.

SENATOR LANGEMEIER PRESIDING

SPEAKER FLOOD PRESIDING

SENATOR LANGEMEIER PRESIDING

Senator Conrad requested a record vote on her amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 13:

Conrad	Dubas	Karpisek	Mello	Wallman
Cook	Haar, K.	Lathrop	Nordquist	
Council	Howard	McGill	Sullivan	

Voting in the negative, 18:

Adams	Flood	Hansen	Nelson	Schumacher
Campbell	Fulton	Krist	Pirsch	Utter
Carlson	Gloor	Larson	Price	
Fischer	Hadley	McCoy	Schilz	

Present and not voting, 15:

Ashford	Brasch	Cornett	Janssen	Pahls
Avery	Christensen	Harr, B.	Langemeier	Pankonin
Bloomfield	Coash	Heidemann	Louden	Smith

Excused and not voting, 3:

Harms Lautenbaugh Wightman

The Conrad amendment lost with 13 ayes, 18 nays, 15 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Pending.

VISITORS

Visitors to the Chamber were Senator Langemeier's uncle and aunt, Don and Marry Kuhn, from Lincoln; members of the Attorney General's Youth Advisory Council from across the state; 42 fourth-grade students from St. Gerald Elementary, Ralston; 35 fourth-grade students and teachers from Ravenna; 18 fourth-grade students and teacher from Maxwell; and Dan Mershon from Wichita, Kansas.

RECESS

At 12:00 p.m., on a motion by Senator Krist, the Legislature recessed until 1:30 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Legislature reconvened at 1:30 p.m., Senator Carlson presiding.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Wightman who was excused; and Senators Ashford, Heidemann, Karpisek, Lautenbaugh, Price, and Wallman who were excused until they arrive.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 289. Placed on Select File with amendment. ER91

- 1. In the Standing Committee amendments, AM416:
- 2 a. On page 12, line 23, after "laws" insert "as defined
- 3 <u>in section 66-712</u>";
- 4 b. On page 20, line 26, strike the last old comma and
- 5 show as stricken; and
- 6 c. On page 30, line 1, strike the first and second
- 7 underscored commas and reinstate the stricken "and".
- 8 2. On page 1, strike lines 3 through 5 and insert
- 9 "60-165, 60-301, 60-306, 60-336.01, 60-339, 60-386, 60-388, 60-393,
- 10 60-395, 60-398, 60-3,100, 60-3,113, 60-3,166, 60-3,187, 60-3,190,
- 11 60-3,200, 60-471, 60-501, 60-520, 60-547, 60-601, 60-605, 60-6,348,
- 12 and"; and in line 13 strike "registration" and insert "titling and
- 13 registration; to provide for additional registration fees".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 289A. Placed on Select File. **LEGISLATIVE BILL 665.** Placed on Select File.

(Signed) Tyson Larson, Chairperson

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 84. Senator Louden renewed his amendment, AM1228, found on page 1215, to the Fischer amendment.

Senator Louden moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 37 ayes, 0 nays, and 12 not voting.

Senator Louden requested a roll call vote on his amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 4:

Conrad Cook Louden Wallman

Voting in the negative, 38:

Adams Cornett Hadley Price Lathrop Council Hansen Lautenbaugh Schilz Averv Bloomfield Dubas Heidemann McCoy Schumacher Brasch Fischer Howard Mello Smith Campbell Flood Nordauist Sullivan Janssen Carlson Fulton Karpisek Pahls Utter Christensen Gloor Langemeier Pankonin Coash Haar, K. Larson Pirsch

Present and not voting, 4:

Harms Harr, B. McGill Nelson

Excused and not voting, 3:

Ashford Krist Wightman

The Louden amendment lost with 4 ayes, 38 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Pending.

RESOLUTION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 170. Introduced by Fulton, 29; Carlson, 38; Coash, 27; Dubas, 34; Fischer, 43; Flood, 19; Hadley, 37; McGill, 26; Price, 3; Wallman, 30.

WHEREAS, one in three eighth grade students drinks alcohol and one in five teens engages in the life-threatening practice of binge drinking; and

WHEREAS, research shows that the majority of kids view their parents as their primary influence when making decisions about using alcohol; and

WHEREAS, Mothers Against Drunk Driving Nebraska has established April 21, 2011, as a national day for parents to start talking to their teens about the proper use of alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Nebraska, Dave Heineman, has proclaimed April 21, 2011, as PowerTalk 21 Day in the State of Nebraska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

- 1. That the Legislature recognizes the importance of educating teens about the dangers of abusing alcohol and commends the exceptional work of Mothers Against Drunk Driving Nebraska in raising awareness about these dangers.
- 2. That the Legislature urges parents across the State of Nebraska to participate in PowerTalk 21 Day on April 21, 2011.

3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mothers Against Drunk Driving Nebraska.

Laid over.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 84. Senator Mello renewed his amendment, AM1229, found on page 1219, to the Fischer amendment.

SENATOR COASH PRESIDING

Senator Mello moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 28 ayes, 0 nays, and 21 not voting.

Senator Mello requested a roll call vote on his amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 10:

Conrad	Council	Howard	McGill	Nordquist
Cook	Haar, K.	Lathrop	Mello	Wallman

Voting in the negative, 33:

Adams Avery	Coash Cornett	Hadley Hansen	Lautenbaugh McCoy	Schilz Schumacher
Bloomfield	Dubas	Harms	Nelson	Smith
Brasch	Fischer	Heidemann	Pahls	Sullivan
Campbell	Flood	Janssen	Pankonin	Utter
Carlson	Fulton	Karpisek	Pirsch	
Christensen	Gloor	Larson	Price	

Present and not voting, 1:

Louden

Excused and not voting, 5:

Ashford Harr, B. Krist Langemeier Wightman

The Mello amendment lost with 10 ayes, 33 nays, 1 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Pending.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 535. Placed on Select File with amendment. ER92

- 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments
- 2 thereto and insert the following new sections:
- 3 Section 1. Sections 1 to 9 of this act shall be known and
- 4 may be cited as the Portable Electronics Insurance Act.
 - Sec. 2. For purposes of the Portable Electronics
- 6 Insurance Act:
 - (1) Customer means a person who purchases portable
- 8 electronics;

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- 9 (2) Covered customer means a customer who elects coverage 10 pursuant to a portable electronics insurance policy issued to a 11 vendor of portable electronics;
- 12 (3) Director means the Director of Insurance:
- 13 (4) Location means any physical location in this state or
- 14 any web site, call center, or other site or similar location to
- 15 which Nebraska customers may be directed;
- 16 (5) Portable electronics means a device that is
- 17 personal, self-contained, easily carried by an individual,
- 18 and battery-operated and includes devices used for electronic
- 19 communication, viewing, listening, recording, computing, or
- 20 global positioning. Portable electronics does not include
- 21 telecommunications switching equipment, transmission wires,
- 22 cellular site transceiver equipment, or other equipment or system
- 23 <u>used by a telecommunications company to provide telecommunications</u> 1 service to consumers:
 - 2 (6)(a) Portable electronics insurance means insurance
 - 3 that provides coverage for the repair or replacement of portable
 - 4 electronics and may provide coverage for portable electronics that
 - 5 are lost, stolen, damaged, or inoperable due to mechanical failure
 - 6 or malfunction or suffer other similar causes of loss; and
 - 7 (b) Portable electronics insurance does not include:
 - 8 (i) A service contract under the Motor Vehicle Service
 - 9 Contract Reimbursement Insurance Act;
- 10 (ii) A service contract or extended warranty providing
- 11 coverage as described in subdivision (2) of section 44-102.01;
- 12 (iii) A policy of insurance providing coverage for a
- 13 seller's or manufacturer's obligations under a warranty; or
- 14 (iv) A homeowner's, renter's, private passenger
- 15 automobile, commercial multiperil, or other similar policy;
- 16 (7) Portable electronics transaction means the sale or
- 17 lease of portable electronics by a vendor to a customer or the sale
- 18 of a service related to the use of portable electronics by a vendor
- 19 to a customer;
- 20 (8) Supervising entity means a business entity that is a
- 21 licensed insurance producer or insurer; and

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- 22 (9) Vendor means a person in the business of engaging in 23 portable electronics transactions directly or indirectly. 24 Sec. 3. (1) A vendor shall hold a limited lines insurance 25 license issued under the Portable Electronics Insurance Act to sell 26 or offer coverage under a policy of portable electronics insurance. 27 (2) The director may issue a limited lines insurance 1 license under the act. Such license shall authorize an employee or 2 authorized representative of a vendor to sell or offer coverage 3 under a policy of portable electronics insurance to a customer at 4 each location at which the vendor engages in a portable electronics 5 transaction. 6 (3) The vendor shall submit an application for a limited 7 lines insurance license pursuant to section 4 of this act to the 8 director, and a list of all locations in this state at which the 9 vendor intends to offer such insurance coverage shall accompany 10 the application. A vendor shall maintain such list and make it 11 available for the director upon request. 12 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a limited 13 lines insurance license issued under the act shall authorize the 14 vendor and its employees or authorized representatives to engage in the activities permitted by the act. 15 Sec. 4. (1) An application for a limited lines insurance 16 17 license shall be made to and filed with the director on forms 18 prescribed and furnished by the director. 19 (2) An application for an initial or a renewal license 20 shall: 21 (a) Provide the name, residence address, and other 22 information required by the director for an employee or authorized 23 representative of the vendor that is designated by the vendor 24 as the person responsible for the vendor's compliance with the 25 Portable Electronics Insurance Act. If the vendor derives more than 26 fifty percent of its revenue from the sale of portable electronics insurance, the information required by this subdivision shall be 27 1 provided for all persons of record having beneficial ownership of 2 ten percent or more of any class of securities of the vendor 3 registered under federal securities law; and 4 (b) Provide the location of the vendor's home office. 5 (3) Any application for licensure under the act for 6 an existing vendor shall be made within ninety days after the 7 application is made available by the director. 8 (4) An initial license issued pursuant to the act shall 9 be valid for one year and expires on April 30 of each year. 10 (5) Any vendor licensed under the act shall pay an 11 initial license fee to the director in an amount prescribed by 12 the director but not to exceed one hundred dollars and shall pay 13 a renewal fee in an amount prescribed by the director but not to
 - Sec. 5. (1) At each location at which portable

exceed one hundred dollars.

- 16 electronics insurance is offered to a customer, a brochure or other 17 written material shall be available to the customer which: 18 (a) Discloses the fact that portable electronics 19 insurance may provide a duplication of coverage already provided 20 by a customer's homeowner's insurance policy, renter's insurance 21 policy, or other similar insurance coverage; 22 (b) States that the enrollment by the customer in a 23 portable electronics insurance coverage program is not required in 24 order to purchase or lease portable electronics or services; 25 (c) Summarizes the material terms of the portable 26 electronics insurance, including: 27 (i) The identity of the insurer; 1 (ii) The identity of the supervising entity; 2 (iii) The amount of any applicable deductible and how it 3 is to be paid; 4 (iv) The benefits of the coverage; and 5 (v) The key terms and conditions of the coverage, 6 including whether portable electronics may be repaired or replaced 7 with a similar reconditioned make or model or with nonoriginal 8 manufacturer parts or equipment: 9 (d) Summarizes the process for filing a claim, including 10 a description of how to return the portable electronics and the 11 maximum fee applicable if the customer fails to comply with any 12 equipment return requirements; and 13 (e) States that the customer may cancel enrollment for 14 portable electronics insurance coverage at any time and receive any 15 applicable unearned premium refund on a pro rata basis. 16 (2) Portable electronics insurance may be offered on 17 a month-to-month or other periodic basis as a group or master 18 commercial inland marine policy issued to a vendor for its covered 19 customers. A covered customer who elects to enroll for coverage 20 shall receive a certificate of insurance and an explanation of 21 coverage or instructions on how to obtain such materials upon 22 request. 23 (3) Eligibility and underwriting standards for customers 24 who elect to enroll in portable electronics insurance coverage 25 shall be established by the insurer for each portable electronics 26 insurance program. 27 Sec. 6. (1) An employee or authorized representative of 1 a vendor may sell or offer for sale portable electronics insurance 2 to customers and shall not be subject to licensure as an insurance 3 producer if: 4 (a) The vendor obtains a limited lines insurance license 5 pursuant to section 3 of this act that authorizes its employees 6 or authorized representatives to sell or offer for sale portable 7 electronics insurance under this section;
- (b) The insurer issuing the portable electronics
 insurance directly supervises or appoints a supervising entity to
 supervise the administration of the insurance program, including

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and a hearing:

11 development of a training program for employees and authorized representatives of a vendor. The training required by this 12 13 subdivision shall comply with the following: 14 (i) The training shall be delivered to employees and 15 authorized representatives of a vendor who are directly involved in 16 the activity of selling or offering for sale portable electronics 17 insurance: 18 (ii) The training may be provided in electronic form. If the training is provided in electronic form, the supervising entity 19 20 shall implement a supplemental education program that is conducted 21 and overseen by licensed employees of the supervising entity; and 22 (iii) Each employee and authorized representative shall 23 receive basic instruction on the portable electronics insurance 24 offered to customers and the disclosures required by section 5 of 25 this act: and 26 (c) The vendor does not advertise, represent, or 27 otherwise hold itself or any of its employees or authorized 1 representatives out as authorized insurers or licensed insurance 2 producers. 3 (2) The charges for portable electronics insurance 4 coverage may be billed and collected by the vendor. Any charge 5 to the customer for coverage that is not included in the cost 6 associated with the purchase or lease of portable electronics 7 shall be separately itemized on the covered customer's bill. If 8 the portable electronics insurance coverage is included in the purchase or lease of portable electronics or related services, the 10 vendor shall clearly and conspicuously disclose to the customer 11 that portable electronics insurance coverage is included with the 12 portable electronics or related services. No vendor shall require 13 the purchase of any kind of insurance specified in this section as 14 a condition of the purchase or lease of portable electronics or 15 services. If such insurance is purchased, the portable electronics insurance coverage offered by the limited lines insurance licensee 16 17 to a customer is primary over any other insurance coverage 18 applicable to the portable electronics. A vendor who bills and 19 collects such charges shall not be required to maintain such funds 20 in a segregated account if the vendor is authorized by the insurer 21 to hold such funds in an alternative manner and remits such amounts 22 to the supervising entity within sixty days after receipt. All 23 funds received by a vendor from a covered customer for the sale 24 of portable electronics insurance shall be considered funds held 25 in trust by the vendor in a fiduciary capacity for the benefit 26 of the insurer. A vendor may receive compensation for billing and 27 collection services. 1 Sec. 7. If a vendor violates any provision of the 2 Portable Electronics Insurance Act, the director may, after notice

4 (1) Revoke or suspend a limited lines insurance license issued under the act;

6 (2) Impose such other penalties, including suspension of 7 the transaction of insurance at specific vendor locations where 8 violations have occurred, as the director deems necessary or 9 convenient to carry out the purposes of the act; and 10 (3) Impose an administrative fine of not more than one 11 thousand dollars per violation or five thousand dollars in the 12 aggregate. 13 Sec. 8. Notwithstanding any other provision of law: 14 (1) An insurer may terminate or otherwise change the 15 terms and conditions of a policy of portable electronics insurance 16 only upon providing the vendor and enrolled customers with at least 17 sixty days' notice, except that: 18 (a) An insurer may terminate an enrolled customer's 19 insurance policy upon fifteen days' notice for: 20 (i) Discovery of fraud or material misrepresentation in obtaining coverage or in the presentation of a claim under such 21 22 policy; or 23 (ii) Nonpayment of premium; or (b) An insurer may immediately terminate an enrolled 24 25 customer's insurance policy: (i) If the enrolled customer ceases to have active 26 27 service with the vendor of portable electronics; or 1 (ii) If an enrolled customer exhausts the aggregate limit of liability, if any, under the portable electronics insurance 3 policy and the insurer sends notice of termination to the customer 4 within thirty days after exhaustion of the limit. If such notice 5 is not sent within the thirty-day period, the customer shall 6 continue to be enrolled in such insurance policy notwithstanding 7 the aggregate limit of liability until the insurer sends notice of 8 termination to the customer; 9 (2) If the insurer changes the terms and conditions, 10 the insurer shall provide the vendor with a revised policy or endorsement and each enrolled customer with a revised certificate, 11 12 endorsement, updated brochure, or other evidence indicating a 13 change in the terms and conditions has occurred and a summary of 14 the material changes; 15 (3) If a portable electronics insurance policy is 16 terminated by a vendor, the vendor shall mail or deliver written 17 notice to each enrolled customer at least thirty days prior to the 18 termination advising the customer of such termination and of the 19 effective date of termination; and 20 (4) If notice is required under this section, it shall 21 be: 22 (a) In writing and may be mailed or delivered to a vendor 23 at the vendor's mailing address and to an enrolled customer at such 24 customer's last-known mailing address on file with the insurer. The 25 insurer or vendor, as applicable, shall maintain proof of mailing 26 in a form authorized or accepted by the United States Postal Service or a commercial mail delivery service; or 27

- (b) In electronic form. If notice is delivered in
 - electronic form, the insurer or vendor, as applicable, shall
- maintain proof that the notice was sent.
- 4 Sec. 9. Any records pertaining to transactions under the
- 5 Portable Electronics Insurance Act shall be kept available and open
- 6 to inspection by the director or his or her representatives with
- notice and during business hours. Records shall be maintained for
- 8 three years following the completion of transactions under the act.
- 9 Sec. 10. Section 44-102.01. Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 10 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 11 44-102.01 For purposes of Chapter 44, insurance shall
- 12 does not include a service contract. For purposes of this section,
- 13 service contract shall mean means (1) a motor vehicle service
- 14 contract as defined in section 44-3521 or (2) a contract or
- 15 agreement, whether designated as a service contract, maintenance
- 16 agreement, warranty, extended warranty, or similar term, whereby
- 17 a person undertakes to furnish, arrange for, or, in limited
- 18 circumstances, reimburse for service, repair, or replacement of
- 19 any or all of the components, parts, or systems of any covered
- 20 residential dwelling or consumer product when such service, repair,
- or replacement is necessitated by wear and tear, by failure, 21
- 22 malfunction, inoperability, inherent defect, or by the failure of
- 23 an inspection to detect the likelihood of failure.
- 24 Sec. 11. This act becomes operative on January 1, 2012.
- 25 Sec. 12. Original section 44-102.01, Reissue Revised
- 26 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.
- 27 2. On page 1, strike beginning with "require" in line 1
 - through line 5 and insert "amend section 44-102.01, Reissue Revised
 - Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Portable Electronics Insurance
 - 3 Act; to redefine service contract; to provide an operative date;
 - and to repeal the original section.".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 449. Placed on Select File with amendment. **ER93**

- 1 1. On page 1, strike lines 2 through 14 and insert
- "32-305, 32-312, 32-615, 32-811, 32-903, 32-947, 32-948, 32-1203,
- 32-1303, and 32-1306, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and
- section 32-606, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2010;
- to change provisions relating to election commissioners, deputy
- registrars, voter registration, filing for office, nominations
- without opposition, creation of precincts, procedures for voting
- early, payment of costs of elections, recall petitions, and recall
- elections; and to repeal the original sections.".

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 40CA. Placed on Select File with amendment.

ER94

- 1 1. On page 1, strike beginning with "preserve" in line
- 2 14 through line 16 and insert "establish the right to hunt, to
- 3 fish, and to harvest wildlife and to state that public hunting
- 4 and fishing shall be a preferred means of managing and controlling
- 5 wildlife.".

(Signed) Tyson Larson, Chairperson

BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill was read for the first time by title:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 384A. Introduced by Cornett, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 384, One Hundred Second Legislature, First Session, 2011; to reduce an appropriation; and to declare an emergency.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 84. Senator Council offered the following amendment to the Fischer amendment:

AM1248

(Amendments to AM1216)

- 1. Strike sections 6 and 7 and insert the following new
- 2 section
- 3 Sec. 6. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
- 4 when passed and approved according to law.
- 5 2. On page 1, strike beginning with "The" in line 16
- 6 through line 18 and insert "The State Treasurer shall transfer all
- 7 funds appropriated or transferred to the Property Tax Credit Cash
- 8 Fund to the State Highway Capital Improvement Fund each fiscal year
- 9 beginning with fiscal year 2011-12.".
- 3. On page 2, lines 6 and 10 and 11 strike "pursuant to
- 11 section 77-27,132".

SPEAKER FLOOD PRESIDING

Senator Council moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 31 ayes, 0 nays, and 18 not voting.

Senator Council requested a roll call vote on her amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 5:

Ashford Cook Council Louden Wallman

Voting in the negative, 32:

Coash Hansen Mello Schilz Adams Conrad Harms Nelson Schumacher Averv Bloomfield Fischer Heidemann Nordquist Sullivan Brasch Flood Howard Pahls Utter Campbell Fulton Karpisek Pankonin Carlson Gloor Larson Pirsch Christensen Hadley Lathrop Price

Present and not voting, 3:

Cornett Dubas McGill

Excused and not voting, 9:

Haar, K. Janssen Langemeier McCoy Wightman Harr, B. Krist Lautenbaugh Smith

The Council amendment lost with 5 ayes, 32 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 9 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator Mello withdrew his amendment, AM1231, found on page 1221.

Senator Mello renewed his amendment, AM1230, found on page 1220, to the Fischer amendment.

Senator Fischer requested a ruling of the Chair on whether the Mello amendment is germane to the Fischer amendment.

The Chair ruled the Mello amendment is not germane to the Fischer amendment.

Senator Mello challenged the ruling of the Chair. The question is, "Shall the Chair be overruled?" The motion failed with 5 ayes, 20 nays, 12 present and not voting, and 12 excused and not voting.

The Chair was sustained.

Senator Conrad renewed her motion, MO32, found in this day's Journal, to bracket until January 5, 2012.

Pending.

AMENDMENT - Print in Journal

Senator Conrad filed the following amendment to <u>LB22</u>: AM698

- 1 1. Insert the following new sections:
- 2 Sec. 5. Nothing in the Mandate Opt-Out and Insurance
- 3 Coverage Clarification Act shall prohibit or prevent a qualified
- 4 health insurance plan offered through a health insurance exchange
- 5 created pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable
- 6 Care Act, Public Law 111-148, from offering or providing coverage
- 7 to any individual for medical complications related to pregnancy,
- 8 ectopic pregnancy, or miscarriage.
- 9 Sec. 6. Nothing in the Mandate Opt-Out and Insurance
- 10 Coverage Clarification Act shall prohibit or prevent any health
- 11 insurance plan, contract, or policy delivered or issued for
- 12 delivery in the State of Nebraska from offering or providing
- 13 coverage to any individual for medical complications related to
- 14 pregnancy, ectopic pregnancy, or miscarriage.
- 2. On page 2, line 1, strike "4" and insert "6".
- 16 3. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

VISITORS

Visitors to the Chamber were Senator Nelson's wife, Judy Nelson, from Omaha and Dr. Ron Blue from Arlington, Texas; Kelly, Julie, Doug, and Alex Blair from Papillion; and 28 fourth-grade students and teacher from Fullerton.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Alisa Nollendorfs from Lincoln.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:00 p.m., on a motion by Senator Coash, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 20, 2011.

Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature