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SPEAKER HADLEY PRESIDING

SPEAKER HADLEY: (RECORDER MALFUNCTION)...I CALL TO ORDER THE TWENTY-  
EIGHTH DAY OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION.  
SENATORS, PLEASE RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. ROLL CALL. RECORD, MR. CLERK.

ASSISTANT CLERK: THERE IS A QUORUM PRESENT, MR. PRESIDENT.

SPEAKER HADLEY: ANY CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL?

ASSISTANT CLERK: NO CORRECTIONS THIS MORNING.

SPEAKER HADLEY: MESSAGES, REPORTS, OR ANNOUNCEMENTS?

ASSISTANT CLERK: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. BUSINESS AND LABOR HAS A  
SERIES OF PRIORITY BILL DESIGNATIONS: BUSINESS AND LABOR HAS CHOSEN  
LB830; EDUCATION, LB959 AND LB1066; SENATOR SULLIVAN, LB1067; SENATOR  
KUEHN, LR378CA; SENATOR GROENE, LB717; SENATOR SMITH, LB884; SENATOR  
BURKE HARR...EXCUSE ME, BUSINESS AND LABOR HAS CHOSEN LB1110;  
SENATOR SCHEER, LB883; SENATOR COASH, LB934. IN ADDITION TO THAT, YOUR  
COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT AND REVIEW REPORTS LB921, LB735, LB811, AND  
LB929, ALL TO SELECT FILE. HAVE A GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENT TO THE  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT; THAT WILL  
BE REFERRED TO REFERENCE COMMITTEE. NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING  
FROM JUDICIARY COMMITTEE AND FROM THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.  
THAT'S ALL I HAVE AT THIS TIME. (LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 603-605.) [LB830  
LB959 LB1066 LB1067 LR378CA LB717 LB884 LB1110 LB883 LB934 LB921 LB735  
LB811 LB929]

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SPEAKER HADLEY: THANK YOU, MR. CLERK. MR. CLERK, WE WILL MOVE TO FINAL READING. MEMBERS SHALL RETURN TO THEIR SEATS IN PREPARATION FOR FINAL READING. IF YOU WOULD, PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR SEATS. MR. CLERK, THE FIRST BILL IS LB695. [LB695]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB695 ON FINAL READING.) [LB695]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB695 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB695]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 605-606.) VOTE IS 45 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB695]

SPEAKER HADLEY: THANK YOU, MR. CLERK. LB695 PASSES. WE'LL NOW PROCEED TO LB699. [LB696 LB699]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB699 ON FINAL READING.) [LB699]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB699 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB699]

CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 606.) THE VOTE IS 46 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB699]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB699 PASSES. MR. CLERK, THE NEXT BILL IS LB702. [LB699 LB702]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB702 ON FINAL READING.) [LB702]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB702 PASS? ALL THOSE IN

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FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB702]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 607.) THE VOTE IS 47 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB702]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB702 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB737. [LB702 LB737]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB737 ON FINAL READING.) [LB737]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB737 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB737]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 607-608.) THE VOTE IS 46 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB737]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB737 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB751E. MR. CLERK, THE FIRST VOTE IS TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB737 LB751]

ASSISTANT CLERK: 40 AYES, 1 NAY TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB751]

SPEAKER HADLEY: THE AT-LARGE READING IS DISPENSED WITH. MR. CLERK, PLEASE READ THE TITLE. [LB751]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ TITLE OF LB751.) [LB751]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB751 PASS WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB751]

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ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 608-609.) THE VOTE IS 46 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB751]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB751E PASSES WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE. (VISITORS INTRODUCED.) MR. CLERK, WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB759. MR. CLERK, THE FIRST VOTE IS TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; EXCUSE ME. MR. CLERK. [LB751 LB759]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB759 ON FINAL READING.) [LB759]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB759 PASS WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB759]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 609-610.) THE VOTE IS 45 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB759]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB759 PASSES WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB760. MR. CLERK, THE FIRST VOTE IS TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB759 LB760]

ASSISTANT CLERK: 43 AYES, 1 NAY TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB760]

SPEAKER HADLEY: THE AT-LARGE READING IS DISPENSED WITH. MR. CLERK, PLEASE READ THE TITLE. [LB760]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ TITLE OF LB760.) [LB760]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB760 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB760]

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ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 610-611.) THE VOTE IS 45 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB760]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB760 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB761. [LB760 LB761]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB761 ON FINAL READING.) [LB761]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB761 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB761]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 611.) THE VOTE IS 47 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING. [LB761]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB761 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB771. [LB761 LB771]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB771 ON FINAL READING.) [LB771]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB771 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB771]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 612.) THE VOTE IS 45 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB771]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB771 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB775. MR. CLERK, THE FIRST VOTE IS TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB771 LB775]

ASSISTANT CLERK: 34 AYES, 1 NAY TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. [LB775]

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SPEAKER HADLEY: MR. CLERK, PLEASE READ THE TITLE. [LB775]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ TITLE OF LB775.) [LB775]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB775 PASS WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB775]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 613.) THE VOTE IS 47 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB775]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB775 PASSES WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB853. [LB775 LB853]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB853 ON FINAL READING.) [LB853]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB853 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. [LB853]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 613-614.) THE VOTE IS 47 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING. [LB853]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB853 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB876. [LB853 LB876]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB876 ON FINAL READING.) [LB876]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB876 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB876]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 614-615.) THE VOTE IS 46 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING. [LB876]

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SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS SHALL...NEXT BILL. LB876 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB131. [LB876 LB131]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB131 ON FINAL READING.) [LB131]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION, IS SHALL LB131 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB131]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 615.) THE VOTE IS 46 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB131]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB131 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB136E. [LB131 LB136]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB136E ON FINAL READING.) [LB136]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB136 PASS WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB136]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 616.) THE VOTE IS 44 AYES, 0 NAYS, 3 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB136]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB136 PASSES WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB270. [LB136 LB270]

ASSISTANT CLERK: (READ LB270 ON FINAL READING.) [LB270]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB270 PASS WITH THE

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EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB270]

CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 616-617.) 44 AYES, 0 NAYS, 3 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB270]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB270 PASSES WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB275. [LB270 LB275]

CLERK: (READ LB275 ON FINAL READING.) [LB275]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB275 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB275]

CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 617-618.) 47 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB275]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB275 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB471. [LB275 LB471]

CLERK: (READ LB471 ON FINAL READING.) [LB471]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB471 PASS WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL THOSE VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB471]

CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 618.) 46 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB471]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB471 PASSES WITH THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE ATTACHED. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB474. MR. CLERK, THE FIRST VOTE IS TO DISPENSE



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WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB471 LB474]

CLERK: 41 AYES, 3 NAYS TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. [LB474]

SPEAKER HADLEY: THE AT-LARGE READING IS DISPENSED WITH. MR. CLERK, PLEASE READ THE TITLE. [LB474]

CLERK: (READ TITLE OF LB474.) [LB474]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB474 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB474]

CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 619.) 47 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB474]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB474 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB474A. [LB474 LB474A]

CLERK: (READ LB474A ON FINAL READING.) [LB474A]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB474A PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB474A]

CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 620.) 47 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB474A]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB474A PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB665. [LB474A LB665]

CLERK: (READ LB665 ON FINAL READING.) [LB665]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB665 PASS? ALL THOSE IN

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FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB665]

CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 620-621.) 47 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB665]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB665 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB666. MR. CLERK, THE FIRST VOTE IS TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB665 LB666]

CLERK: 46 AYES, 1 NAY TO DISPENSE WITH THE AT-LARGE READING. [LB666]

SPEAKER HADLEY: THE AT-LARGE READING IS DISPENSED WITH. MR. CLERK, PLEASE READ THE TITLE. [LB666]

CLERK: (READ TITLE OF LB666.) [LB666]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATIVE TO PROCEDURE HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB666 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB666]

CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 621-622.) 46 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB666]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB666 PASSES. WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO LB667. [LB666 LB667]

CLERK: (READ LB667 ON FINAL READING.) [LB667]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ALL PROVISIONS OF LAW HAVING BEEN COMPLIED WITH, THE QUESTION IS, SHALL LB667 PASS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED THAT WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LB667]

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CLERK: (RECORD VOTE READ, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 622.) 46 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 PRESENT AND NOT VOTING, 2 EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING, MR. PRESIDENT. [LB667]

SPEAKER HADLEY: LB667 PASSES. THIS FINISHES THE FINAL READING. MR. CLERK, WE WILL GO NOW TO SELECT FILE, LR26CA. WHILE THE LEGISLATURE IS IN SESSION AND CAPABLE OF TRANSACTING BUSINESS, I PROPOSE TO SIGN AND DO HEREBY SIGN LB695, LB699, LB702, LB737, LB751E, LB759E, LB760, LB761, LB771, LB775E, LB853, LB876, LB131, LB136E, LB270E, LB275, LB471E, LB474, LB474A, LB665, LB666, AND LB667. MR. CLERK, FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS. [LR26CA LB695 LB699 LB702 LB737 LB751 LB759 LB760 LB761 LB771 LB775 LB853 LB876 LB131 LB136 LB270 LB275 LB471 LB474 LB474A LB665 LB666 LB667]

CLERK: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. FIRST OF ALL, BUSINESS AND LABOR WILL HAVE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION NOW IN ROOM 2022; BUSINESS AND LABOR IN ROOM 2022 IMMEDIATELY. URBAN AFFAIRS WILL HAVE A MEETING AT 11:00 IN ROOM 2022. THAT'S URBAN AFFAIRS AT 11:00. YOUR COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT AND REVIEW REPORTS LB776, LB807, LB1035, LB734, TO SELECT FILE. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS LB1083 TO GENERAL FILE. LR413 AND LR418 REPORTED TO THE FLOOR FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION. NATURAL RESOURCES REPORTS LB745, LB887 TO GENERAL FILE; LB344 TO GENERAL FILE WITH AMENDMENTS, LIKewise WITH LB736. CONFIRMATION REPORTS FROM THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE SIGNED BY SENATOR SCHILZ. AMENDMENTS TO BE PRINTED: SENATOR DAVIS TO LB655. I ALSO HAVE A REFERENCE REPORT REFERRING A GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTEE TO STANDING COMMITTEE FOR CONFIRMATION HEARING. AND MR. PRESIDENT, PRIORITY BILL DESIGNATIONS: LB754 HAS BEEN SELECTED BY SENATOR CRAWFORD; URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE LB704 AND LB1059; BANKING, COMMERCE AND INSURANCE LB794 AND LB772. THAT'S ALL THAT I HAVE, MR. PRESIDENT. (LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 623-630.) [LB776 LB807 LB1035 LB734 LB1083 LR413 LR418 LB745 LB887 LB344 LB736 LB679 LB655 LB754 LB704 LB1059 LB794 LB772]

SPEAKER HADLEY: THANK YOU, MR. CLERK. WE WILL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA.

CLERK: MR. PRESIDENT, RETURNING TO LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION, LR26CA, THERE ARE AMENDMENTS PENDING. HOWEVER, THERE WAS A PRIORITY MOTION OFFERED BY SENATOR CHAMBERS TO BRACKET THE BILL UNTIL APRIL 20. THAT FAILED. SENATOR CHAMBERS THEN MOVED TO RECONSIDER THAT

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VOTE, MR. PRESIDENT. THE MOTION IS TO RECONSIDER THE BRACKET MOTION.  
[LR26CA]

SPEAKER HADLEY: SENATOR CHAMBERS, IF YOU WOULD TAKE ABOUT 30  
SECONDS TO TALK ON YOUR RECONSIDERATION MOTION. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU. MR. PRESIDENT, ORIGINALLY I HAD MOVED  
TO, I THINK, BRACKET IT FOR APRIL 20 OF 2016. THAT WAS VOTED DOWN, SO I  
OFFERED A RECONSIDERATION MOTION OF THAT BRACKET MOTION VOTE AND  
THAT'S WHAT...THAT IS WHAT'S BEFORE US NOW. AND I WAS TRYING TO  
REMEMBER THAT VOTE ORIGINALLY. I THINK THEY MAY HAVE GOTTEN 17 OR  
SOMETHING LIKE THAT, AND THERE WERE 14 ON THE OTHER SIDE. SO THAT'S  
WHERE WE ARE, AND THAT'S WHAT WE'LL BE DISCUSSING, AND THANK YOU,  
MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SPEAKER HADLEY: SENATOR LARSON, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR LARSON: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. I WANT TO ADDRESS THE BODY  
REAL QUICK IN THE SENSE OF I WAS WORKING WITH SENATOR MORFELD, OVER  
THE EVENING, AS WE LOOKED AT EVERYTHING AND TALKED ABOUT WHERE  
THE BODY WAS IN TERMS OF THIS. AND WE HEARD A NUMBER OF PEOPLE,  
WHETHER IT BE SENATOR BLOOMFIELD OR...I KNOW...MAYBE IT WAS SENATOR  
HILKEMANN AS WELL, HE CAN CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, SAID THAT IF IT WAS  
JUST THE LEGISLATURE THEY WOULD BE SUPPORTIVE. AND I CAN UNDERSTAND  
THAT SENTIMENT AND THE HOPE THAT WE CAN MOVE ON AND SAVE TIME  
WITHIN THIS BODY AND NOT TAKE THIS CLEAR TO NOON AND START MOVING.  
AS MUCH AS I DO STAND ON PRINCIPLE THAT THIS SHOULD ADDRESS ALL  
OFFICES, AND I TRULY BELIEVE THAT AND WILL CONTINUE TO WORK TOWARDS  
THAT MOVING FORWARD INTO 2017 AND 2018, I KNOW SENATOR MORFELD AND I  
WORKED HARD AND AGREED THAT A GOOD COMPROMISE WITH THE BODY IN  
AN EFFORT TO PRESERVE TIME WOULD BE...TO MAKE IT JUST LEGISLATURE. AND  
SO THOSE OF YOU THAT HAD THAT CONCERN ABOUT THE GOVERNOR AND THE  
OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES COULD COME ON BOARD, AND I'VE TALKED  
TO SENATOR BLOOMFIELD. AND SENATOR MORFELD IS GOING TO BE  
WITHDRAWING THE AMENDMENT THAT HE HAD THAT WAS HOPING TO FIX  
SENATOR SCHUMACHER'S SINGLE-SUBJECT CONCERNS, ONE THAT WILL  
FOLLOW, HE'LL WITHDRAW THOSE AMENDMENTS AND THE LEGISLATURE ONE  
WILL, AS I SAID, WILL JUST COME UP IN AN ORDER FOR COMPROMISE TO MOVE  
ON, TO WORK WITH THE BODY AND SAVE THEM TIME. IT WILL COMPLETELY

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SOLVE SENATOR SCHUMACHER'S SINGLE-SUBJECT CONCERN BECAUSE THEN WE ARE JUST DEALING WITH THE LEGISLATURE. THERE WILL BE NO QUESTIONS ON THAT FRONT. AND WE CAN HOPEFULLY MOVE PAST THIS. I APPRECIATE THE CONCERNS THAT WERE ADDRESSED ON THE FLOOR. I APPRECIATE THOSE THAT HAD THOSE CONCERNS. AND I HOPE THAT IN THE SPIRIT OF THIS BODY, AS WE USUALLY DO, WE MOVE FORWARD AND GIVE THIS AN UP OR DOWN VOTE AND WORK TOWARDS SOMETHING ELSE. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SPEAKER HADLEY: THANK YOU, SENATOR LARSON. SENATOR MORFELD, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR MORFELD: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. AS SENATOR LARSON INDICATED, I HAVE WITHDRAWN MY PREVIOUS AMENDMENT AND REPLACED IT WITH A NEW AMENDMENT, AM2204, TO ALSO PUT ON FINAL READING AS WELL, THAT WOULD MAKE THIS APPLY ONLY TO MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR THE FEDERAL VOTING AGE OF 18, AND WOULD ALLEVIATE, I THINK, MANY OF THE CONCERNS OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS OF THIS BODY IN THE SENSE THAT IT WOULD NO LONGER APPLY TO LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND GOVERNOR AND WOULD ONLY APPLY TO MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE. IT WOULD ALSO ELIMINATE ANY CONCERN THAT THIS IS NOT A SINGLE-SUBJECT ISSUE AND WOULD ENSURE CONSTITUTIONALITY IN THAT SENSE, EVEN THOUGH I STILL STAND BY MY LEGAL ANALYSIS AND MY LAST AMENDMENT THAT IT WOULD HAVE PASSED CONSTITUTIONAL MUSTER BASED ON THE MOST CURRENT SUPREME COURT CASE LAW. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE BILL AND AM2204. THANK YOU. [LR26CA]

SPEAKER HADLEY: SENATOR CHAMBERS, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: MR. PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, I SHALL NOT YIELD. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE ON THOSE AMENDMENTS. THEY CAN AMEND IT TO SAY ERNIE CHAMBERS IS THE GREATEST GUY IN THE WORLD, YOU WOULDN'T GET TO VOTE ON THAT EITHER. I HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT I'M OPPOSED TO REDUCING THE AGE TO 18. BY SAYING YOU'RE GOING TO LEAVE IT APPLYING ONLY TO THE LEGISLATURE IS TO Demean AND DEROGATE THIS BODY. ALL THE OTHER OFFICES ARE EXEMPT. THE LEGISLATURE IS JUST THE COLLECTING POINT WHERE YOU THROW AWAY WHATEVER YOU CAN'T MAKE STICK SOMEWHERE ELSE. BUT MY ARGUMENTS HAVE BEEN AGAINST, FIRST OF ALL, LOWERING THE AGE OF HOLDING ANY OF THESE OFFICES THAT ARE MENTIONED IN THE CONSTITUTION TO 18. I'M

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OPPOSED TO THAT. IN ADDITION, I THINK IT IS THE HEIGHT OF IRRESPONSIBILITY, THE ABROGATING OF OUR DUTY TO EVEN SUBMIT SOMETHING LIKE THIS TO THE PUBLIC. IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE ANY WAY THAT YOU CUT IT. SENATOR LARSON THROUGHOUT HAS BEEN OBDURATE, MULISH, STUBBORN, BECAUSE HE THOUGHT HE COULD FORCE SOMETHING THROUGH. NOW THEY OFFER AMENDMENT AFTER AMENDMENT. SENATOR MORFELD TRYING TO BAIL OUT HIS YOUNG FRIEND OFFERED AN AMENDMENT THEN OFFERED AN AMENDMENT TO THAT AMENDMENT. AND NOW HE'S WITHDRAWING HIS AMENDMENT AND THE AMENDMENT TO HIS AMENDMENT AND OFFERING YET A DIFFERENT AMENDMENT. THIS IS NOT A SUITABLE PROPOSAL TO SUBMIT TO THE PUBLIC. IF THEY WANT TO DO ALL THIS WORK, MY NEXT MOTION IS GOING TO BE TO RETURN IT TO COMMITTEE AND LET THEM WORK IT OUT THERE. IT NEVER SHOULD HAVE COME OUT HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE. IT WAS POORLY DRAFTED. IT HAD CONSTITUTIONAL INFIRMITIES. AND THIS BODY HAS SUCH A LOW LEVEL RESPECT IN THE MIND OF SENATOR LARSON AS CHAIRMAN OF THAT COMMITTEE, AND I THINK SENATOR MURANTE SHARES THAT TO SOME EXTENT, ON SOME OF THE BILLS HE GETS HIS COMMITTEE TO PUT OUT HERE THAT HE WANTS BECAUSE THE BODY WILL SWALLOW IT. AND THEY KNOW I'LL OPPOSE THESE KIND OF BILLS. SO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY WERE SAYING? THEY'RE JOHNNY ONE NOTE. YOU'RE LINING UP WITH SENATOR CHAMBERS. WELL NATURALLY, BECAUSE SENATOR CHAMBERS IS THE ONE WHO WILL THINK, WHO WILL ANALYZE, EVALUATE, AND CALL IT WHAT IT IS. THIS IS NOT A WISE POLICY TO PUT IN PLACE IN THIS STATE. THERE HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTS TO PUT THINGS ON THE BALLOT, AND ATTEMPTS TO UNDO THINGS THAT THE LEGISLATURE DID BY CIRCULATING PETITIONS. THERE WAS NO REQUEST EVEN FOR THIS BILL. SENATOR LARSON APPARENTLY HAD TO HAVE SOMETHING TO DO. SO IN THE SAME WAY THAT SENATOR PIRSCH, WHO NO LONGER IS HERE, PERSUADED TO SUBMIT TO THE PUBLIC A PROPOSAL TO PUT FISHING, TRAPPING AND HUNTING... [LR26CA]

SPEAKER HADLEY: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...INTO THE CONSTITUTION, WE NOW HAVE THIS BAD, UNWISE PROPOSAL. PERSONALLY, I DON'T THINK THE PUBLIC WOULD ACCEPT IT. BUT THAT DOES NOT RELIEVE ME OF MY RESPONSIBILITY, AS I VIEW IT, TO PREVENT BAD PROPOSITIONS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE PUBLIC. SENATOR LARSON MAY HAVE A VOTE FOR CLOTURE NOW THAT HE DIDN'T HAVE BEFORE BECAUSE HE TOLD SENATOR BLOOMFIELD HE WOULD GIVE SENATOR BLOOMFIELD WHAT SENATOR BLOOMFIELD ASKED FOR. BUT IF YOU DON'T GET TO A VOTE, THE THING STAYS JUST LIKE IT IS NOW--UNAMENDED BY SENATOR

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MORFELD'S AMENDMENT WHICH HE AMENDED. THOSE ISSUES THAT SENATOR SCHUMACHER RAISED REMAIN... [LR26CA]

SPEAKER HADLEY: TIME, SENATOR. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SPEAKER HADLEY: THANK YOU, SENATOR CHAMBERS. SENATOR LARSON, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR LARSON: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. FIRST OF ALL, SENATOR CHAMBERS CALLS ME MULISH. I WOULD SAY, SENATOR CHAMBERS, YOU ARE THE ONE THAT IS BEING MULISH IN THE SENSE THAT YOU WON'T LET SENATOR MORFELD'S AMENDMENT TO COMPROMISE COME TO A VOTE. THAT IS STUBBORNNESS, TO REFUSE TO LET COMPROMISE HAPPEN IN THE BODY IN AN EFFORT JUST TO WIN. WHEN COMPROMISE HAS BEEN MADE, YOU REFUSED TO LET THAT HAPPEN. SO MULISH, IF YOU WANT TO USE TO DESCRIBE ME, IS FAIR, BUT LET'S CALL A SPADE A SPADE, AND RECOGNIZE WHEN IT'S HAPPENING OR YOU'RE DOING IT. WHAT SENATOR CHAMBERS FAILS TO ACKNOWLEDGE, THOUGH, IS SENATOR MORFELD HAS FILED THAT AMENDMENT ON FINAL READING AS WELL. SO IF WE DON'T GET TO IT ON SELECT FILE, COLLEAGUES, WHEN THIS GOES TO FINAL READING AFTER THE CLOTURE VOTE THAT WILL BE THE FIRST THING UP. IT WILL BE A MOTION TO RETURN TO SELECT FILE FOR A SPECIFIC AMENDMENT. SO WE WILL GET TO IT. WE WILL MOVE. NOW WE CAN EITHER MOVE TODAY, WHICH I THINK WE SHOULD, AND SAVE THE BODY THIS TIME, BECAUSE THERE IS COMPROMISE, AND I AM TRYING TO SAVE THE BODY TIME, I AM TRYING TO WORK WITH THE BODY TO SAVE TIME, OR WE CAN HAVE THE MULISH BEHAVIOR, THE OBSTINATE BEHAVIOR, TAKE THE EXTRA TIME HERE, HAVE THE MOTION ON SELECT FILE, GET IT AMENDED, GO THROUGH THAT AGAIN, COME BACK TO FINAL READING, AND DO IT AGAIN. COLLEAGUES, I AM TRYING TO WORK IN THE SPIRIT THAT WAS CREATED, THAT COMPROMISE SPIRIT THAT WE ALL HAVE. IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT SOME REFUSE TO LET COMPROMISE HAPPEN. NOW, WE CAN SIT HERE UNTIL 11:37, SENATOR MORFELD AND MYSELF WILL ASSURE YOU, THOSE OF YOU THAT...I KNOW MANY OF YOU WOULD HAVE HUNG STRONG WITH ME ANYWAY, AND WE'LL ASSURE THOSE OF YOU THAT THE LEGISLATURE IS WHAT YOU WANTED, THAT YOU FELT WAS BEST, FINE, AND WE CAN MOVE THIS ON AND DEAL WITH IT ON FINAL READING AND THEN COME BACK. OR WE CAN TAKE CARE OF IT TODAY IF SENATOR CHAMBERS WISHES NOT...OR MAYBE HE STILL WANTS TO TAKE IT TO CLOTURE, BUT HE'S,

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YOU KNOW, AT LEAST CAN UNDERSTAND THAT WE WORK TOWARDS THAT COMPROMISE AND LET SENATOR MORFELD'S AMENDMENT COME UP TODAY SO WE DON'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE DOG AND PONY SHOW ON FINAL READING. THAT WOULD BE NICE AND MUCH MORE SIMPLE AND SAVE THE BODY A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME. YESTERDAY WE HEARD HOW I WAS WASTING TIME FROM SENATOR CHAMBERS. WELL, I'M TRYING TO SAVE THE BODY TIME. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH PRESIDING

SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR LARSON: SO I WOULD ASK SENATOR CHAMBERS TO LET THE MORFELD AMENDMENT COME THROUGH, AT LEAST UP FOR A VOTE. IF HE WANTS TO CONTINUE THIS ON TO CLOTURE, THAT IS HIS PREROGATIVE. THIS ISN'T ABOUT...THE AMENDMENT...ALL THE AMENDMENTS...SENATOR SCHUMACHER BROUGHT UP A CONCERN WITH MULTIPLE QUESTIONS THAT HAPPENS. EVERY ONE OF OUR BILLS HAVE HAD THAT HAPPEN AT SOME POINT, THAT THE COMMITTEE MIGHT HAVE OVERLOOKED SOMETHING. I APPRECIATE SENATOR SCHUMACHER FOR RECOGNIZING THAT, AND WE TRIED TO FIX THAT. BUT, COLLEAGUES, WE THEN CAME TO A COMPROMISE. HOPEFULLY WE CAN MOVE ON THAT COMPROMISE AND OBSTINANCE DOESN'T BLOCK THE ENTIRE BODY. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR LARSON. SENATOR CHAMBERS, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU. MR. PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, SENATOR LARSON WOULD MISLEAD YOU ALL AGAIN. WHEN I TELL YOU I CAN DO SOMETHING, I CAN DO IT. IF I TELL YOU A HEN DIPS SNUFF, LOOK UNDER HER LEFT WING AND YOU'LL FIND TOBACCO STAINS. HOW IN THE WORLD IS HE GOING TO GET TO A VOTE WHEN MY PRIORITY MOTIONS WILL STOP THAT FROM HAPPENING? HE CAN'T GET A VOTE ON ANY ASPECT OF THIS BILL WHILE WE'RE ON SELECT FILE BECAUSE I HAVE MOTIONS THAT WILL RUN US OUT OF TIME. HE'S GOING TO HAVE TO SEEK CLOTURE ON SELECT FILE. IF YOU GET TO FINAL READING, MY PRIORITY MOTIONS WILL COME BEFORE ANY ATTEMPT TO AMEND THE BILL. HE SHOULD READ THE PRIORITIES THAT ARE LISTED RIGHT DOWN THE LINE, BUT HE DOESN'T EVEN READ THE RULE BOOK AND HE'S TELLING YOU ALL WHAT TO DO IN TERMS OF THE CONSTITUTION AND



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LEGISLATIVE PROCESS. AT LEAST I KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. YOU KNOW WHY I KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT? BECAUSE I CAN READ. I CAN READ. AND I DO READ. AND DO YOU THINK I WOULD STAND ON THIS FLOOR AND ALLOW MYSELF TO LOOK LIKE A FOOL LIKE SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES DO, TALKING STUFF THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND, AND SAY I'M GOING TO DO THIS, WHEN I CAN'T DO IT? YOU WILL NOT GET TO VOTE ON AN AMENDMENT TO THIS BILL. THE RULES ARE THE RULES AND I'M PLAYING BY THE RULES. SO SENATOR LARSON CAN STAND UP HERE AND TELL YOU THAT YOU MAY NOT GET TO VOTE ON IT HERE, BUT YOU'LL GET TO VOTE ON IT ON FINAL READING BECAUSE SENATOR MORFELD IS GOING TO OFFER AN AMENDMENT. THOSE PRIORITY MOTIONS TAKE PRIORITY OVER AN ATTEMPT TO AMEND A BILL. WHATEVER MOVES SENATOR LARSON MAKES IS AN ATTEMPT TO AMEND THE BILL. WHAT DO YOU BRING IT BACK FOR? A SPECIFIC AMENDMENT. IN MAKING THE MOTION, YOU STATE WHAT IT IS. YOU WANT TO RETURN THE BILL FOR A SPECIFIC AMENDMENT. AND THESE OTHER PRIORITY MOTIONS TAKE PRIORITY OVER AN ATTEMPT TO AMEND THE BILL. SO GIVE HIM HIS VOTE ON CLOTURE, AS SENATOR BLOOMFIELD PROBABLY FEELS OBLIGED TO DO, AND WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE DISCUSSING THE BILL. BUT IT SHOULD NOT BE REDUCED TO AN ATTEMPT TO JUST TRY TO OVERCOME ME. THERE'S A POLICY ISSUE HERE. AND IT IS ONE THAT THE BODY OUGHT TO TAKE SERIOUSLY. PEOPLE 18 YEARS OLD ARE NOT SEASONED ENOUGH TO SERVE IN THIS LEGISLATURE, IN MY OPINION. TO EVEN OFFER THIS PROPOSAL TO THE PUBLIC, IN MY OPINION, IS IRRESPONSIBLE. THE LEGISLATURE, DURING THE TIME FOR DEBATING, SHOULD LOOK AT ALL ASPECTS OF THE ISSUE. AND I THINK IT WOULD BE CRYSTAL CLEAR THAT THIS IS NOT A WISE MOVE TO MAKE. IF YOU WOULD POLL 18-YEAR-OLD YOUNGSTERS... [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...GO TO ONE OF THEIR SCHOOLS AND ASK THEM--WOULD YOU WANT THE STUDENTS HERE TO TELL BY WAY OF VOTING WHAT YOU CAN AND CANNOT DO? NOW, MAYBE THAT ONE YOU ASKED WOULD LIKE TO BE IN THAT POSITION, BUT THEY UNDERSTAND HOW IRRESPONSIBLE THEIR FELLOW STUDENTS ARE. AND WHEN I'M RECOGNIZED AGAIN, I WILL TELL YOU WHY I MOVED TO HAVE THE VOTE AT 18 YEARS OLD, EVEN THOUGH I DON'T THINK IT'S SUITABLE TO HAVE THOSE WHO CAN VOTE AT 18 HOLD OFFICE AT 18. THE ISSUES ARE DIFFERENT. AND TO SAY BECAUSE A EXISTS OVER HERE, THEN B EXISTS OVER THERE. EVEN IF TWO THINGS OCCUR AT THE SAME TIME, THERE IS NOT... [LR26CA]

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SENATOR COASH: TIME, SENATOR. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...NECESSARILY ANY CAUSALITY. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR CHAMBERS. SENATOR BRASCH, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR BRASCH: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, AND THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. I DO FIND IT INTERESTING THAT A COMPROMISE ON THIS IS BEING OFFERED, THAT SENATOR BLOOMFIELD HAS AGREED THAT A STATE SENATOR COULD BE 18 AND FULFILL THE DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS AND SCOPE OF INFORMATION THAT WE PROCESS HERE. AND WITH 49 OF US, AND OUR VARIED EXPERIENCES, SOMETIMES IT'S DIFFICULT TO FIND AGREEMENT. YESTERDAY I BELIEVE SENATOR GROENE MADE A VERY IMPORTANT POINT, AND I HAD MADE IT EARLIER AS WELL, IF YOU LOOK AT THE COMMITTEE STATEMENT, NOT ONE HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR, CIVICS TEACHER, OR STUDENT CAME HERE AS A PROPONENT OR AN OPPONENT, NOT A SINGLE ONE SHOWED UP. SENATOR GROENE HAD INDICATED HE TOLD SENATOR LARSON THAT HE WOULD VOTE FOR THIS BILL AND HE'S OBLIGED TO DO SO. NOW WE'RE HEARING THAT SENATOR BLOOMFIELD IS OBLIGED TO DO SO. IT DOES NOT CHANGE MY POSITION ON WHETHER AN 18-YEAR-OLD IS PREPARED TO FULLY UNDERSTAND THE SCOPE AND DEPTH OF ISSUES THAT WE FACE. THIS MORNING I HAD A VERY SOMBER CONVERSATION WITH A CONSTITUENT ABOUT THEIR TAX BURDEN. AND NO, IT WASN'T A FARMER, IT WAS AN OWNER OF A CAR WASH, WHO IS VERY DISMAYED THAT HE WAS PROMISED 15 YEARS AGO THAT THEIR SALES TAX OBLIGATION WOULD BE REMOVED, THAT HE'S BEING DOUBLE TAXED. SO I'M TRYING TO EXPLAIN TO HIM THAT THE ELDERLY WHO HAVE SOCIAL SECURITY WOULD LIKE TO NOT PAY TAXES ON SOCIAL SECURITY. OUR VETERANS, WE HAVE SO MANY NEEDS AND SO MANY WANTS OF TAX DOLLARS AND MOST OF ALL WE WANT TO LOWER TAXES. SO TO HAVE THAT CONVERSATION, I BELIEVE, AT AGE 18 WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY DIFFICULT FOR ME. AT 18, THE REASON I BELIEVE STUDENTS WEREN'T HERE IS MOST OF THEM ARE STILL IN SCHOOL. I DID SPEAK WITH A LUNCHEON OF MY DISTRICT SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS, TRYING TO BE FAIR, ASKING THEM DO YOU THINK A 18-YEAR-OLD IS PREPARED TO TAKE THE OFFICE IN A PUBLIC OFFICE, LEGISLATURE, GOVERNOR, AND SO FORTH? AND MANY OF THEM...ALL OF THEM SAID THAT THEY THINK THAT AT THE AGE OF 18, MOST ARE LIVING IN SCHOOL...ARE LIVING AT HOME, THEY ARE IN SCHOOL. AND THEY'RE FOCUSED ON ACADEMICS, FUTURE VOCATIONS, POTENTIAL FAMILY CHALLENGES. THEY'RE LOOKING AT SO MANY THINGS TO MAKE DECISIONS FOR

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THEIR SELVES, NOT DECISIONS FOR OTHERS. AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE. WE HAVE GREAT RESPONSIBILITY IN MAKING DECISIONS FOR OTHERS. I HAVE THE HIGHEST REGARD FOR 18-YEAR-OLDS. AND I HOLD NO DISRESPECT FOR THEM BELIEVING THAT THIS WOULD BE A GREAT OFFICE TO HOLD. WHEN YOU WALK IN HERE AND YOU SEE THE CAPITOL AND THE GRANDEUR, THE OFFICES, IT IS AMAZING. I TOO AM IN AWE. BUT WHEN YOU LOOK UNDER THE COVER OF THAT BOOK AND YOU TRY TO READ AND SEE 1.9 MILLION PEOPLE... [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR BRASCH: ...THAT YOU NEED TO MEET THEIR OBLIGATIONS, I BELIEVE MANY 18-YEAR-OLDS WOULD BE HARD-PRESSED TO DO THAT. SO MY COLLEAGUES, I DON'T KNOW, I SEE VOTES WERE BEING COUNTED EARLIER THIS MORNING. I ENCOURAGE YOU, WHAT DO YOU WISH FOR THAT 18-YEAR-OLD SHOULD THAT BE YOUR SON, YOUR NEIGHBOR, YOUR FRIEND? I WISH THEY HAVE A FULL FUTURE BEFORE THEY TAKE ON CHALLENGES OF THE FUTURE OF MANY. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, AND THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR BRASCH. SENATOR SCHUMACHER, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR SCHUMACHER: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE BODY. IT'S KIND OF A SHAME THAT THERE'S SO MANY EMPTY SEATS IN THE CHAMBER, BECAUSE WHILE IT MAY APPEAR ON THE SURFACE THAT THIS WANDERING AMONG MOTIONS IS A WASTE OF TIME, CHEWING UP OF VALUABLE LEGISLATIVE THING, IF WE'RE GOING TO DO IT, AND OUR PROCEDURES ALLOW IT, WE SHOULD TAKE IT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT THIS WANDERING THROUGH THE TREES GIVE US AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS. I DO THINK THAT THE AMENDMENTS THAT SENATOR LARSON AND SENATOR MORFELD HAVE OFFERED, AFTER MUCH PERSUASION, DO TAKE CARE OF THE SINGLE-SUBJECT ISSUE. AND WE ARE NOW FACED WITH KIND OF AN INTERESTING ISSUE AS TO WHEN IT IS APPROPRIATE TO PUT AN AMENDMENT BEFORE THE PEOPLE. AND THAT WAS AN ISSUE THAT WAS SOLVED UP TO JUST A DECADE OR TWO AGO BECAUSE THERE WERE TWO VERY EASY WAYS...ONE VERY EASY AND THEN THE LEGISLATIVE WAY, TO GIVE THE PEOPLE ACCESS TO THE CONSTITUTION. OUR COURTS HAVE REPEATEDLY SAID THAT THE CONSTITUTION IS THE PEOPLE'S DOCUMENT. THE PEOPLE HAVE SAID THAT THE RIGHT TO PETITION CHANGES INTO THE CONSTITUTION IS THE VERY FIRST RIGHT THAT

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THEY RESERVE TO THEMSELVES. SO IT'S KIND OF AN IMPORTANT THING. WHAT GOOD IS A DOCUMENT IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO IT? AND AS WE KNOW IN THIS BODY, EXERCISE A POWER, THE PERSON WHO HAS IT IS ENTITLED TO REALLY DO GOOFY THINGS WITH IT. WE DO SOMETIMES VERY GOOFY THINGS IN THIS BODY. PEOPLE...DECISIONS THAT PEOPLE FROM THE OUTSIDE WOULD LOOK AT AND SAY--WHAT ARE THEY SMOKING? BUT WE DO IT. AND SO THE QUESTION BECOMES SHOULD THE PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR DOCUMENT? OR SHOULD WE ACT IN SOME PATERNALISTIC WAY TO SAY, NO, IT'S YOUR DOCUMENT IN NAME ONLY? THEY CAN'T HAVE ACCESS VERY EASILY AT ALL THROUGH THE PETITION PROCESS ANYMORE EVEN WITH OUR REFORMS THAT TOOK IT BACK TO PAY-FOR-SIGNATURE. WHY? BECAUSE AS WE'VE LEARNED RECENTLY, IT TAKES 750,000, A MILLION DOLLARS, TO BE ABLE TO ACCESS THE PETITION PROCESS AND GET YOUR SIGNATURES. AND IF YOU HAVE THAT KIND OF MONEY AND YOU'RE LOADED YOU CAN DO IT, AS WE WILL SEE IN THE INDIAN GAMING PETITION, AND AS WE SAW IN THE DEATH PENALTY PETITION. MONEY WILL GET YOU SIGNATURES RIGHT OR WRONG. SO IT'S ONLY BIG MONEY THAT HAS ACCESS THROUGH THE PETITION PROCESS. AND EVEN THEN, THERE IS A WHOLE GAUNTLET OF COURT TRICKS AND STEPS AND MISSTEPS TO NAVIGATE THROUGH BEFORE YOU GET SOMETHING TO THE VOTER, AND YOUR RISK OF LOSING YOUR MILLION DOLLARS IS RATHER HIGH EVEN IF YOU TRY TO DO EVERYTHING RIGHT. SO IN MANY WAYS, ACCESS TO THE PEOPLE'S DOCUMENT HAS TO BE THROUGH THE DOOR THAT WE CREATE. AND THE QUESTION BEFORE THE BODY, IF THESE AMENDMENTS GET TO BE CONSIDERED, AND SENATOR CHAMBERS MAY VERY WELL BE RIGHT, HE MAY HAVE...BE IN A POSITION TO PREVENT AMENDMENT TO THIS DOCUMENT. THAT WILL BE KIND OF INTERESTING. BUT...IS HOW PATERNALISTIC... [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR SCHUMACHER: ...DO WE WANT TO BE? DO THE PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT TO SCREW UP? WELL, IT'S THEIR DOCUMENT; IT'S THEIR STATE. DO WE NOT THINK THEY ARE INTELLIGENT ENOUGH TO RENDER A JUDGMENT ON THIS ISSUE OR ON OTHER ISSUES OF CONTROVERSY? DO WE HAVE TO PROTECT THEM BECAUSE WE'RE, YOU KNOW, IN A CHAMBER THAT HAS A LOBBY BACK THERE? DO WE HAVE TO SAY--NO, YOU CAN'T VOTE ON CASINO GAMING BECAUSE 30 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE KNOW BETTER AND THEY'VE GOT SOME LOBBYISTS BACK THERE? HOW PATERNALISTIC SHALL WE BE IS THE QUESTION BEFORE US. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

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SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR SCHUMACHER. SENATOR CHAMBERS, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED TO CLOSE ON YOUR RECONSIDER MOTION. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'VE SPOKEN THREE TIMES ALREADY? OKAY, JUST WANT TO BE SURE. MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, I'LL ACCEPT SENATOR LARSON'S CHARACTERIZATION OF ME AS STUBBORN. THERE'S NOTHING INTRINSICALLY BAD ABOUT THAT TERM. I CALL IT PERSISTENT. I CALL IT RELENTLESSNESS. PEOPLE ON THIS FLOOR WHO BRING PROPOSALS TO US ARE PREPARED TO TAKE AS MUCH TIME AS IS NECESSARY TO DO WHATEVER THEY THINK IS NECESSARY TO GET THEIR WAY. I AM ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ISSUE WHERE SOME OF THESE BILLS ARE CONCERNED. SO TO THE SAME EXTENT, THOSE WHO PROPOSE THE BILL, OR WHATEVER THE SUBJECT IS, HAVE THE RIGHT TO DO EVERYTHING UNDER THE LAW, OR IN THIS CASE, THE RULES TO HAVE THEIR WILL PREVAIL. I HAVE THE SAME RIGHT TO DO EVERYTHING UNDER THE RULES TO HAVE MY WILL PREVAIL. SENATOR LARSON BROUGHT US AN ATROCIOUS PIECE OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION. THEY STILL HAVEN'T GOTTEN IT RIGHT. AND NOW ALL THEY'RE TRYING TO DO IS WIN, GET PEOPLE LIKE SENATOR BLOOMFIELD TO SAY--WELL, I'LL VOTE FOR CLOTURE WHEN SENATOR BLOOMFIELD KNOWS VERY WELL HE'S NOT GOING TO GET TO VOTE TO MAKE THIS APPLY ONLY TO THE LEGISLATURE. SO THIS THAT WE ARE SEEING UNDERSCORES WHAT I'VE SAID. WE SHOULD LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENS IN THE LEGISLATURE AND TAKE THAT AS AN OBJECT LESSON. AND IF YOU CAN SO EASILY SWAY THOSE WHO ARE OLDER TO VOTE A CERTAIN WAY ON THE PROMISE THAT SOMETHING'S GOING TO HAPPEN THAT THAT PERSON KNOWS CANNOT HAPPEN, DEMONSTRATES THAT WHEN YOU'RE OLDER THAN 18, IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO EXERCISE GOOD JUDGMENT AND I CONCEDED THAT. IT DOES NOT MEAN THAT EVERYBODY BELOW THE AGE OF 18 WILL NOT EXERCISE GOOD JUDGMENT. I SAID THAT AT THE OUTSET. BUT IN THE SAME WAY THAT THE LEGISLATURE MUST PASS GENERAL LAWS, WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE GENERALITY OF HUMAN BEINGS. A PRESUMPTION IS MADE THAT A PERSON ABOVE THE AGE OF 18 WILL BE MORE CAPABLE OF DOING CERTAIN THINGS THAN THOSE BELOW THAT AGE. BECAUSE THE PRESUMPTION IS MADE DOES NOT MEAN IT IS IRREBUTTABLE. WE DON'T EVEN HAVE TO GET INTO ALL THAT. WE CAN JUST OBSERVE THE WAY YOUNG PEOPLE DO THINGS; THE WAY YOUNG PEOPLE ARE REGARDED IN THIS SOCIETY. THE LAWS THAT GOVERN WHAT YOUNG PEOPLE MAY AND MAY NOT DO, AND IN SOME CASES, SHALL NOT DO, SUCH AS CONSUME ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AWAY FROM HOME BEFORE THEY REACH A CERTAIN AGE. THIS PROPOSITION BEFORE US IS NOT WISE. AND SINCE THE PROPOSITION STAYS BEFORE US, I WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE THE SAME ARGUMENTS. [LR26CA]

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SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: NOTHING IS CHANGING. NOTHING WILL CHANGE. AND SENATOR LARSON HAS OTHER BILLS EQUALLY ILL-CONCEIVED. AND HE WILL BE REQUIRED TO TRY TO SAY THAT PEOPLE ARE OPPOSED TO HIS BILL FOR REASONS OTHER THAN THAT THE BILL REPRESENTS POOR POLICY AND OUGHT NOT TO BE PUT INTO LAW. BUT ALL OF THAT, IN MY OPINION, IS FAIR DEBATE. AND IF SOMEBODY DOESN'T LIKE WHAT IS DIRECTED HIS WAY OR HER WAY, THE OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND IS THERE. THAT'S HOW WE SHARPEN THE ISSUES. BUT SENATOR LARSON IS IN THE POSITION NOW OF BEING WILLING TO DO ANYTHING TO GET THIS PARTICULAR DESIGNATED PROPOSAL ACROSS THE BOARD. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: TIME, SENATOR. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU. AND I WILL ASK FOR A CALL OF THE HOUSE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR CHAMBERS. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: AND A ROLL CALL VOTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: (VISITORS INTRODUCED). THERE HAS BEEN A REQUEST TO PLACE THE HOUSE UNDER CALL. THE QUESTION IS, SHALL THE HOUSE GO UNDER CALL? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE; THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LR26CA]

CLERK: 28 AYES, 0 NAYS, MR. PRESIDENT, TO PLACE THE HOUSE UNDER CALL. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THE HOUSE IS UNDER CALL. SENATORS, PLEASE RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. UNEXCUSED SENATORS OUTSIDE THE CHAMBER PLEASE RETURN TO THE CHAMBER AND RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. UNAUTHORIZED PERSONNEL PLEASE LEAVE THE FLOOR. THE HOUSE IS UNDER CALL. SENATOR SCHEER, PLEASE CHECK IN. SENATORS EBKE, KEN HAAR, BURKE HARR, SENATOR BOLZ, SENATOR GARRETT, SENATOR GLOOR, PLEASE RETURN TO THE CHAMBER AND RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. SENATOR BOLZ AND SENATOR GARRETT, PLEASE RETURN TO THE CHAMBER AND RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. MR. CLERK, THERE

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HAS BEEN A REQUEST FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE. MEMBERS, THE QUESTION BEFORE THE BODY IS, SHALL THE VOTE LAST TAKEN BE RECONSIDERED? MR. CLERK, PLEASE READ THE ROLL. [LR26CA]

CLERK: (ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 631.) 18 AYES, 19 NAYS, MR. PRESIDENT, ON THE MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE BRACKET VOTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THE MOTION TO RECONSIDER IS NOT ADOPTED. RAISE THE CALL. MR. CLERK, YOU HAVE A MOTION. [LR26CA]

CLERK: I DO, MR. PRESIDENT. I HAVE AMENDMENTS PENDING, BUT I HAVE A PRIORITY MOTION. SENATOR CHAMBERS WOULD MOVE TO RECOMMIT LR26CA TO THE GOVERNMENT, MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, MR. CLERK. SENATOR CHAMBERS, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED TO OPEN ON YOUR MOTION. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU. MR. PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, THIS IS UNFOLDING THE WAY IT HAS TO BECAUSE HIS SIDE WANTS TO KEEP US HERE TO DO THIS, BUT TIME IS NOT REALLY ON HIS SIDE. HE HAS TO AFFIRMATIVELY GET 33 VOTES WHEN HE TRIES TO INVOKE CLOTURE. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. IT'S NOT JUST A RUN OF THE MILL ITEM. THIS IS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT THAN HIS GAMBLING BILL. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE CONSTITUTION. WE SHOULD BE THE GUARDIANS AND PROTECTORS OF THE CONSTITUTION. SENATOR...FORMER SENATOR WICKERSHAM AND I WERE HAVING DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE NEBRASKA CONSTITUTION AND THE FACT THAT THERE IS NO CERTIFIED OR OFFICIAL COPY OF THAT DOCUMENT ANYWHERE IN THE STATE. SO WE BEGAN TO DISCUSS HOW TO REMEDY THAT. THIS IS THE FUNDAMENTAL LAW OF THE STATE, AND THERE'S NOT AN OFFICIAL COPY ANYWHERE. THERE ARE COPIES PRINTED. AND THE LAWS, THE SESSION LAWS AND IN THE BOUND VOLUMES OF THE STATUTES, BUT THERE SHOULD BE AN OFFICIAL, CERTIFIED COPY OF THAT DOCUMENT SOMEPLACE, BUT THERE IS NONE. SO A BILL WAS ENTERTAINED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. AND HERE ARE THE PARTIES WHO WORKED TO GET IT IN PROPER SHAPE. NATURALLY SENATOR WICKERSHAM AND I WERE INTERESTED, BUT WE ENLISTED THE AID AND COOPERATION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE SECRETARY OF STATE, THE REVISER OF STATUTES, AND THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE. THESE ARE ALL

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OF THE ENTITIES, ALL OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO HOLD THE OFFICES WHICH WOULD HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH GETTING TO WHERE WE WANT IT TO BE IN TERMS OF HAVING AN OFFICIAL CERTIFIED COPY OF THE CONSTITUTION. WE HAD THE HEARING BEFORE THE EXEC BOARD. THE BILL WAS ADVANCED. AND I BELIEVE THAT THE SPEAKER WILL EITHER MAKE IT A SPEAKER PRIORITY OR IT IS THE KIND OF BILL THAT CAN WIND UP ON CONSENT CALENDAR. WHAT IT WOULD DO IS NATURALLY PRINT THE TEXT OF THE CONSTITUTION AS IT EXISTS RIGHT NOW. THAT MEANS IT INCLUDES PROVISIONS THAT HAVE BEEN RENDERED INOPERABLE BY COURT DECISIONS, BUT THE CONSTITUTION CANNOT HAVE ANY LANGUAGE REMOVED EXCEPT BY AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION ITSELF. SO THE LEGISLATURE CANNOT VOTE TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION. THE LEGISLATURE CAN VOTE TO PUT PROPOSALS BEFORE THE PUBLIC. RATHER THAN DO THAT EVERY TIME A PROVISION OF THE NEBRASKA CONSTITUTION WAS STRUCK DOWN, EITHER BY THE NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT, BY THE U.S. SUPREME COURT, OR A FEDERAL COURT WHICH HAD THE JURISDICTION TO DO SO, THAT MATERIAL WILL REMAIN IN THE OFFICIAL VERSION. BUT BENEATH EVERY ONE OF THOSE PROVISIONS WILL BE WHAT'S KNOWN AS AN ANNOTATION. IT WILL POINT OUT WHAT HAD HAPPENED WITH THAT PROVISION AND WHY IT NO LONGER IS THERE. AND FROM TIME TO TIME, OTHER ANNOTATIONS OR EXPLANATORY MATERIAL WILL BE INCLUDED. AT THE END OF EACH SESSION, IF THERE IS NOTHING THAT TOOK PLACE THAT WOULD REQUIRE AN UPDATING OF THAT OFFICIAL VERSION, IT WOULD BE CERTIFIED BY THE CLERK THAT THAT OFFICIAL VERSION THAT IS CURRENTLY IN PLACE WILL REMAIN WITHOUT CHANGE. EACH TIME THE LEGISLATURE LEAVES THE SESSION AND SESSION LAWS ARE PRESENTED, A COPY OF THE THEN VERSION OF THE CONSTITUTION WILL BE INCLUDED, BUT THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENT WILL REMAIN WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE. AND AS CHANGES ARE MADE, UPDATED COPIES OR VERSIONS WOULD BE ADDED TO THAT COLLECTION. THIS IS DONE SO THAT THERE WILL BE AN OFFICIAL CERTIFIED VERSION OF THE NEBRASKA CONSTITUTION. THAT VERSION WOULD BE PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF WHAT THE LAW RELATIVE TO THE CONSTITUTION IS IN THIS STATE. IF YOU WANT TO CITE TO THE CONSTITUTION, YOU CAN DO THAT RIGHT NOW. BUT WITH THIS LAW THAT I'M TALKING ABOUT IN PLACE THERE WILL BE WHAT DOES NOT EXIST NOW AN OFFICIAL CERTIFIED COPY OF THE CONSTITUTION ON FILE WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE. THERE WILL STILL BE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE SECRETARY OF STATE, THE REVISER OF STATUTES, AND THE CLERK'S OFFICE. AT THE END OF A GIVEN SESSION, THERE IS A VERY BRIEF TIME FRAME DURING WHICH ANY CHANGES THAT NEED TO BE MADE WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF. THAT SHOWS THE RESPECT THAT THAT DOCUMENT IS ENTITLED TO. BUT SOMEBODY HAD TO BECOME AWARE OF THE



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SITUATION AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. SENATOR WICKERSHAM AND I HAD HAD THESE DISCUSSIONS. IT WAS NOT SOMETHING I INVOLVED THE REST OF THE LEGISLATURE IN BECAUSE THAT WAS NOT NECESSARY. WHAT WE ARE LOOKING AT TODAY IS ACTION THAT THE LEGISLATURE CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT. WE SHOULD NOT SUBMIT TO THE PUBLIC A PROPOSAL THAT IS NOT WISE. I AM NOT LIKE WHAT SOME PEOPLE ARE IN TERMS OF ATTRIBUTING TO A, QUOTE, THE PEOPLE, UNQUOTE, SUPER INTELLIGENCE, SUPER AWARENESS, A NOTION THAT "THE PEOPLE" ARE INFORMED. MOST OF "THE PEOPLE" INCLUDING, PROBABLY A MAJORITY OF THE LEGISLATORS, HAVE NOT READ THAT CONSTITUTION FROM PAGE ONE TO THE END OF THE DOCUMENT. IF YOU DO IT, YOU WILL SEE THE KINDS OF MATERIALS THAT WILL MAKE YOU SAY, HMM. AND YOU'LL ASK YOURSELF, WHY AND HOW DID THIS EVER GET INTO THE CONSTITUTION? BUT IT'S ALL THERE NOW. THE ONLY WAY IT CAN BE REMOVED, EVEN IF IT'S A PROVISION THAT HAS BEEN STRUCK DOWN BY THE U.S. SUPREME COURT OR THE NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT, THE ONLY WAY IT CAN BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSTITUTION IS BY AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION THAT WOULD STRIKE THAT DEAD LANGUAGE. THIS VERSION OF THE CONSTITUTION THAT WILL BE FORMAL, THAT WILL BE OFFICIAL, THAT WILL BE CERTIFIED WILL NOT HAVE THE TEXTUAL MATERIAL ALTERED IN ANY WAY BY THE ANNOTATIONS. ALL OF THOSE REPEALED PROVISIONS THAT CURRENTLY REMAIN IN THE CONSTITUTION... [LR26CA]

SENATOR SCHEER PRESIDING

SENATOR SCHEER: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...WILL REMAIN THERE. BUT THERE WILL BE AN EXPLANATORY NOTE ALONG WITH IT SO THAT ANYBODY WANTS TO BE AWARE OF THE ACTUAL CONDITION OF THE NEBRASKA CONSTITUTION CAN GO TO THAT OFFICIAL VERSION AND SEE WHAT NO LONGER IS OPERATIVE. COPIES OF THIS OFFICIAL VERSION WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CLERK'S OFFICE ON REQUEST. IT WILL BE PUT ON THE LEGISLATURE'S WEB SITE SO PEOPLE WILL HAVE ACCESS TO IT. AND WHETHER THEY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT OR NOT IS BESIDE THE POINT. THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO WILL. AND FOR THOSE WHO WILL THE OPPORTUNITY WILL BE THERE. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR SCHEER: THANK YOU, SENATOR CHAMBERS. THOSE WAITING IN THE QUEUE: SENATORS LARSON, BLOOMFIELD, PANSING BROOKS, AND SULLIVAN. SENATOR LARSON, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

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SENATOR LARSON: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. WE HEAR A LOT IN THIS BODY ABOUT WORKING TOGETHER, FINDING THE MIDDLE GROUND, BEING COLLEGIAL, MANY OF US DO THAT, AND WE ALLOW FOR THAT COMPROMISE THE WAY THE POLITICS...OR THE WAY THAT MANY OF US ENVISION THAT POLITICS SHOULD WORK. IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT WHEN MIDDLE GROUND IS FOUND SOME REFUSE TO LET THAT MIDDLE GROUND HAPPEN AND WE WONDER WHAT IS WRONG WITH POLITICS AND THE POLARIZATION THAT IS HAPPENING TODAY. THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE. MIDDLE GROUND WAS FOUND, AN OPPORTUNITY TO LET THESE...ANY INDIVIDUAL THAT HAS THE RIGHT TO VOTE, THE RIGHT TO SERVE IN THIS LEGISLATURE AN OBSTINANCE IS BLOCKING IT. AS I LOOK AT THE MOTION UP THERE, SENATOR CHAMBERS MOTION, MO183, WE HAVE 30 MINUTES TILL CLOTURE. SENATOR CHAMBERS WANTS TO TALK ABOUT THE RULE BOOK. SENATOR CHAMBERS, LET'S SEND IT BACK TO COMMITTEE. I'LL SUPPORT YOU WITH THAT. YOU FIGURE OUT WHY. BUT I THINK SENDING IT BACK TO COMMITTEE MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA. AND WE CAN CONTINUE ON THIS TOPIC AS WE MOVE FORWARD. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR SCHEER: THANK YOU, SENATOR LARSON. SENATOR BLOOMFIELD, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR BLOOMFIELD: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. COLLEAGUES, AFTER WE FINISHED FINAL READING WE WENT IMMEDIATELY INTO EXEC SESSION WITH BUSINESS AND LABOR. I DID NOT HEAR THE COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE ON THE FLOOR THIS MORNING ON THIS BILL, BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE THERE WERE A NUMBER OF WORDS PUT IN MY MOUTH THAT WERE NEVER INTENDED TO BE THERE. SENATOR LARSON ASKED ME THIS MORNING IF I WOULD SUPPORT THIS BILL IF HE TOOK IT STRICTLY TO THE LEGISLATURE. AND SINCE I SUGGESTED THAT YESTERDAY, I SAID, YEAH, I PROBABLY WILL, IF IT GETS IN THAT FORM. HE SAID, I'M NOT SURE SENATOR CHAMBERS IS GOING TO ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN. AND APPARENTLY SENATOR CHAMBERS IS NOT GOING TO ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN. AND MY COMMITMENT TO SENATOR LARSON WAS TO SUPPORT THIS BILL IF IT GOT INTO THAT POSITION. IT'S NOT THERE. SOMEWHERE IT WAS PUT OUT THAT I INTENDED TO VOTE FOR CLOTURE. THAT IS ERRONEOUS. I DON'T KNOW WHERE THAT NOTION CAME FROM OR HOW THOSE WORDS GOT OUT OF MY MOUTH WHEN I WASN'T IN THE CHAMBER TO UTTER THEM. SO RECOMMITTING IT TO COMMITTEE, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT DOES OTHER THAN TO KEEP IT ALIVE. IF WE KICK IT BACK OUT, MAYBE WE'LL GET TO TALK ANOTHER SIX HOURS ABOUT IT, BUT...BECAUSE IT CAME OUT OF THE COMMITTEE WITH MY MINE BEING THE ONLY NEGATIVE VOTE. SO WHAT HAPPENS FROM THIS POINT ON? I'M GOING TO SIT HERE QUIETLY WHEN THE

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TIME COMES TO VOTE FOR CLOTURE. AT THIS POINT I HAVE NO INTENTION OF DOING SO. THAT BEING SAID, I HOPE I'VE CLEARED THE RECORD HERE A LITTLE BIT. I SEE SENATOR LARSON AND SENATOR CHAMBERS IN CONSULTATION BACK THERE. BUT I'M GOING TO YIELD THE REMAINDER OF MY TIME TO SENATOR CHAMBERS. [LR26CA]

SENATOR SCHEER: SENATOR CHAMBERS, YOU'RE YIELDED 2:38. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU. MR. PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, WHEN PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN UNREASONABLE AND THEN THEY REACH A POINT OF DESPERATION THEY WILL TRY ANYTHING, AND THAT'S WHERE SENATOR LARSON IS NOW. HE SAYS THAT I AM BLOCKING THIS, WHICH I SAID FROM THE MOMENT WE STARTED THAT THAT WAS MY INTENT. I DIDN'T PULL THAT OUT OF A HAT LATER, AND I'VE BEEN DOING THAT. HE WASN'T IN FAVOR OF ANY AMENDMENTS EVEN TO THIS BAD PIECE OF LEGISLATION. AND NOW THAT HE HASN'T GOT 33 VOTES, HE WANTS TO BECOME VERY, QUOTE, REASONABLE, UNQUOTE. I DON'T BELIEVE HE HAS 33 VOTES. THIS IS A BAD PIECE OF LEGISLATION. IN NO FORM, IN MY OPINION, SHOULD IT BE PRESENTED TO THE VOTERS. I HAVE SAID I WILL DO EVERYTHING UNDER THE RULES TO KEEP THAT FROM HAPPENING. SENATOR LARSON MISCONSTRUED A RULE OR TWO. BUT IF THERE WERE A RULE THAT WOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO DEFEAT WHAT I'M TRYING TO DO, HE WOULD MAKE USE OF IT. SHOULD I SAY HE'S STUBBORN BECAUSE HE CONTINUES TO PERSIST IN TRYING TO GET HIS WAY? I'VE SAID IT ALREADY. BUT MY SAYING IT DOES NOT MAKE IT SO. [LR26CA]

SENATOR SCHEER: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: WE PICK WORDS. WE FORMULATE DESCRIPTIONS TO DESIGNATE VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS, OBJECTS, PROCEEDINGS, BUT THE DESCRIPTION IS NOT THE REALITY. THE DESCRIPTION IS AN ATTEMPT TO SAY WHAT THAT REALITY IS. MY REALITY IS THAT I'M GOING TO DO EVERYTHING I CAN AS A MEMBER OF THIS LEGISLATURE TO SHIELD THE CONSTITUTION FROM THINGS THAT I THINK OUGHT NOT BE THERE, TO PREVENT THE LEGISLATURE FROM SUBMITTING TO THE PUBLIC PROPOSITIONS THAT ARE UNWORTHY OF THE LEGISLATURE SUBMITTING TO THE PUBLIC, AND THAT'S WHERE WE ARE. HE'LL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET HIS CLOTURE VOTE, WHICH THE RULES DO PROVIDE FOR. AND I BELIEVE THE TWO MINUTES ARE UP, MR. PRESIDENT, SO THANK YOU. [LR26CA]

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SENATOR SCHEER: EXACTLY. YOU MUST BE WATCHING THE SECOND HAND. THANK YOU, SENATOR CHAMBERS. THANK YOU, SENATOR BLOOMFIELD. MR. CLERK. [LR26CA]

CLERK: MR. PRESIDENT, I HAVE UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST. SENATOR MURANTE WOULD ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO REFER LR26CA TO THE GOVERNMENT, MILITARY AND VETERAN'S AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR SCHEER: ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE UNANIMOUS CONSENT? WE HAVE AN OBJECTION. IT DOES NOT GO BACK TO THE REFERRAL. WE ARE MOVING BACK TO THOSE WAITING IN THE QUEUE: SENATOR PANSING BROOKS, CHAMBERS, KRIST, AND BRASCH. SENATOR PANSING BROOKS, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR PANSING BROOKS: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. I AM RISING JUST TO EXPLAIN A LITTLE BIT OF WHERE I AM ON THIS ISSUE. I REALLY APPRECIATE MY COLLEAGUE, SENATOR MORFELD, AND HIS EFFORTS TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL PEOPLE HAVE GREAT ACCESS TO VOTING, TO THEIR RIGHTS TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR DEMOCRACY. I'M REALLY WITH HIM ON ALL THOSE ISSUES. IN THIS INSTANCE, THOUGH, AND I WANT TO ADD THAT, OF COURSE, I LOVE YOUNG PEOPLE. THOSE...THEY ARE THE EXCITEMENT AND THE FUTURE OF OUR LIVES. BUT I ALSO WANT TO ADD A FEW COMMENTS ABOUT WHY I'M VOTING THE WAY I'M VOTING NOW. AND I THINK THAT I AM PROBABLY ONE OF THE FEW THAT'S MOST CONNECTED TO 18 YEARS OLD...MOST RECENTLY CONNECTED TO 18-YEAR-OLDS IN THE BODY. OUR YOUNGEST DAUGHTER IS 19 AND WE HAVE TWO BOYS WHO ARE JUST OLDER THAN SHE. SO ALL THREE OF THOSE CHILDREN WERE OFFICERS IN STUDENT COUNCIL AT THEIR HIGH SCHOOL. ALL THREE WERE LEADERS IN MANY OTHER WAYS AT THEIR SCHOOL. AND, AGAIN, I SAY THAT TO YOU "IN SCHOOL." THAT IS THE PRIORITY OF THEIR FOCUS. AND I HAVE POLLED EACH OF MY KIDS TO SEE WHAT THEY THINK ABOUT THIS, BECAUSE I HAVEN'T BEEN RECEIVING ANY NOTICES, ANY LETTERS, ANY CALLS FROM MY DISTRICT. EACH OF MY THREE KIDS SAID--ABSOLUTELY NOT. IN FACT, MY DAUGHTER SAID, THAT'S CRAZY THAT THEY WOULD LET 18-YEAR-OLDS RUN FOR LEGISLATURE, HAVING HAD HER JUST WATCH ME DO THAT, SHE'S QUITE FAMILIAR WITH THE PROCESS, THE KNOWLEDGE THAT'S NEEDED. AND SHE SAID...HER...SHE SAID THAT SHE THINKS IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR 18-YEAR-OLDS WHO ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF SCHOOL, AND SHE POINTED OUT BECAUSE SHE VOTED AT 17 THAT THIS, OF COURSE, WOULD HAVE TO START AT 17 YEARS OLD. MY DAUGHTER WAS A SENIOR IN HIGH SCHOOL WHEN SHE WAS 18; SHE WAS A JUNIOR IN HIGH SCHOOL WHEN SHE WAS 17. AND WHEN I RAN FOR

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OFFICE, IT WAS PRETTY MUCH A FULL-TIME JOB. SO HOW A CHILD WHO'S 17 OR 18, A YOUNG ADULT, IS SUPPOSED TO TAKE THE TIME OFF FROM SCHOOL AND RUN FOR OFFICE? I JUST DON'T GET IT. SHE WENT ON TO SAY THAT LOTS OF WHAT YOU DO, MOM, INCLUDES YOUR LIFE EXPERIENCE. SHE SAID, IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T WANT YOUNG PEOPLE OR PEOPLE MY AGE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCESS, BUT SHE SAID, THIS IS A WHOLE DIFFERENT LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION THAN VOTING. VOTING IS A TOTALLY DIFFERENT REALM. SHE SAID, IT'S ALMOST LIKE A TRAINING GROUND, THE THREE YEARS BEFORE YOU CAN ACTUALLY RUN AT 21. WE HAVE A LEARNER'S PERMIT YEAR WHEN CHILDREN ARE ALLOWED TO DRIVE WITH THEIR PARENTS, AND THEN AT 16 THEY'RE LET OFF ON THEIR OWN. AND I THOUGHT THAT WAS A REALLY GOOD EXAMPLE THAT THERE COULD BE THREE YEARS OF A TRAINING EXPERIENCE OF UNDERSTANDING A DEMOCRACY. YOU VOTE; YOU UNDERSTAND THE RAMIFICATIONS OF YOUR VOTE. AND SHE SAID THAT IT'S NOT OFFENSIVE TO YOUNG PEOPLE BECAUSE WE ALL NEED TO LEARN TO GROW UP AND DEVELOP OUR MINDS. AND ANOTHER COMMENT THAT SHE MADE IS, WE'RE SO FOCUSED ON OUR OWN NEEDS WHEN WE'RE IN HIGH SCHOOL. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT FOR US TO HAVE A BROADER PICTURE AND LOOK AT WHAT'S GOING ON, WHAT THE BEST NEEDS OF THE STATE ARE. SHE QUOTED WHAT PEOPLE QUOTE OFTEN THAT A YOUNG PERSON'S BRAIN IS NOT FULLY DEVELOPED TILL THEY'RE 25. AND SHE SAID THE BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE, THE EDUCATION, THE HOURS OF COMMITMENT, THE COMMUNICATION SKILLS. I ACTUALLY BELIEVE SHE HAS ALL OF THOSE THINGS AND WOULD BE REALLY GOOD AT RUNNING FOR OFFICE AT SOME POINT. BUT SHE SAID, AS A STUDENT RIGHT NOW IN COLLEGE, I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO DO THAT. AND DO YOU WANT PEOPLE WHO ARE AVOIDING THEIR EDUCATION? WHO ARE NOT GOING TO CLASS, WHO ARE INSTEAD FOCUSING ON RUNNING FOR OFFICE? OUR PRIORITY IS EDUCATION, COLLEAGUES. OUR PRIORITY IS TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR STUDENTS GO THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL AND GRADUATE WITH A DEGREE THAT WILL HELP THEM MOVE FORWARD AND PARTICIPATE EFFECTIVELY IN OUR DEMOCRACY AND IN OUR FUTURE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH PRESIDING

SENATOR COASH: TIME, SENATOR. [LR26CA]

SENATOR PANSING BROOKS: THANK YOU. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: SENATOR CHAMBERS, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

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SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU. MR. PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, TAILGATING SOMEWHAT ON SENATOR PANSING BROOKS'S COMMENTS, WE ARE NOW STARTING TO LOOK AT SOME OF THE SERIOUS ISSUES CONFRONTING NOT THE SOCIETY AT LARGE, THAT TOO, BUT SPECIFICALLY OUR YOUNGER PEOPLE. I HAD IT DRILLED INTO MY HEAD THAT EDUCATION WAS IMPORTANT, THAT OBTAINING EDUCATION WOULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE. BECAUSE I RESPECTED THE GROWN PEOPLE WHO TOLD ME THAT, MY MOTHER AND FATHER, I PAID ATTENTION IN SCHOOL EVEN THOUGH I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS GOING TO MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE AT ALL. BUT SINCE THEY'RE OLDER THEY KNOW MORE. THEY KNEW MORE THAN I KNEW, AND I TAKE THEIR WORD FOR IT. AND ALONG THE WAY I DEVELOPED A GREAT LIKING FOR READING BECAUSE I FOUND THINGS IN BOOKS THAT I DIDN'T HEAR ANYWHERE ELSE, I DIDN'T SEE ANYWHERE ELSE, NOBODY TALKED TO ME ABOUT THOSE THINGS. AND YOU KNOW WHAT I WOULD GET IN TROUBLE FOR DOING WHEN I WAS IN GRADE SCHOOL? AND I THOUGHT I WAS OUTSMARTING THE TEACHER. AND I THINK A TEACHER WOULD GIVE EYE TEETH TO HAVE STUDENTS DO THIS, I WOULD SET AN OPEN BOOK BESIDE MY SEAT DURING CLASS AND I'D READ FROM THAT BOOK AND THOUGHT THE TEACHER DIDN'T KNOW IT BECAUSE I THOUGHT SHE COULDN'T SEE IT. SHE MAY HAVE CONCLUDED THAT WHATEVER THAT BOOK WAS, WHATEVER I WAS GETTING FROM IT WAS OF EQUAL OR GREATER VALUE THAN WHAT I WAS HAVING PRESENTED TO ME BY THE TEACHER. SO ALL THE TIME THAT I WAS IN SCHOOL I ALSO WORKED. I STARTED WORKING WITH A CONTRACTOR WHEN I WAS IN THE EIGHTH GRADE, AND I WAS 12 WHEN I FIRST GOT INTO THE EIGHTH GRADE. THERE WAS NO JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, EXCEPT MAYBE AT TECH, BUT I GRADUATED FROM LOTHROP SCHOOL, WHICH WENT FROM KINDERGARTEN TO AND THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE. WHEN I GOT TO TECH I COULDN'T WORK DURING SCHOOL, BUT I WORKED DURING THE SUMMER AND I WORKED ON SATURDAYS. WHEN I GOT TO CREIGHTON, I WORKED AT THE POST OFFICE, AND I MISSED A LOT OF CLASSES BECAUSE I WAS WORKING. BUT AT UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOL, THEY DIDN'T SEEM TO CARE THAT MUCH WHETHER I WENT TO CLASS OR NOT. MAYBE AS SOME OF THE STUDENTS DISCUSSED, THEY THOUGHT I WOULD FAIL. BUT WHAT I WASN'T GETTING BY SITTING IN THE CLASSROOM, I GOT BY READING ON MY OWN. AND SOMEHOW EVERY CLASS, EVERY COURSE THAT I TOOK, MY READING WENT BEYOND WHAT I NEEDED TO PASS ANY EXAMINATION. WE TOOK EXAMINATIONS IN THOSE LONG AGO DAYS IN WHAT WAS CALLED A BLUE BOOK. AND I WOULD ALWAYS GET THROUGH BEFORE EVERYBODY ELSE AND LEAVE, BECAUSE THAT'S THE WAY IT WAS IN THOSE DAYS. WHEN YOU FINISHED YOUR EXAM YOU COULD LEAVE. AND, AGAIN, THE STUDENTS THOUGHT BECAUSE I LEFT SO QUICKLY THAT I'D FLUNK. BUT I WOULD WRITE WHAT I KNEW. AND WHEN I NO LONGER

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HAD ANYTHING TO WRITE I LEFT. BUT WHAT I DECIDED TO DO WAS BEFORE I SET PENCIL TO PAPER WAS TO READ ALL OF THE QUESTIONS AND BE SURE I UNDERSTOOD WHAT EACH QUESTION WAS ASKING ME. THEN I WOULD ANSWER THE QUESTION THAT WAS ASKED OF ME AS SUCCINCTLY AS I COULD. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: AND WHEN I GOT THROUGH, I LEFT. WHEN I GOT TO LAW SCHOOL, INITIALLY THEY DIDN'T CARE ABOUT ME NOT GOING TO CLASS, BECAUSE THOSE STUDENTS THOUGHT I'D FLUNK OUT. BUT WHEN I WOUND UP NUMBER FOUR ON THE DEAN'S LIST, THE ACADEMIC LIST, THEN THEY GOT VERY UPSET BECAUSE MY MAKING IT TO THE NUMBER FOUR POSITION KNOCKED OUT ABOUT 10 OR 11 OF THOSE WHO WOULD HAVE GOTTEN ON THAT LIST HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR ME. SO THEY BEGAN TO PUT PRESSURE ON THE DEAN TO ENFORCE THE ATTENDANCE RULE, WHICH WOULD ALLOW YOU TO MISS 20 PERCENT OF YOUR CLASSES WITHOUT ANY PROBLEM OR ANY NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES. BUT SINCE I MISSED FAR MORE CLASSES THAN THAT AND PASSED ANYWAY THEY FELT THAT IF I HAD TO GO TO CLASS I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO WORK. IF I COULDN'T WORK, I DON'T KNOW WHAT WAS REALLY IN THEIR MIND, BUT IT WAS CLEAR I DIDN'T HAVE TO ATTEND CLASS TO PASS THE COURSES. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR CHAMBERS. SENATOR KRIST, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR KRIST: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. GOOD MORNING, COLLEAGUES; GOOD MORNING, NEBRASKA. WHAT TIME IS THE CLOTURE VOTE ELIGIBLE AT THIS TIME, MR. PRESIDENT? [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: ABOUT 11:37. [LR26CA]

SENATOR KRIST: THANK YOU. SO TO BE CLEAR, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A CLOTURE VOTE COMING UP. AND WHEN IT IS ASKED FOR, I WOULD HOPE THAT MY COLLEAGUES, AFTER A CALL OF THE HOUSE, WOULD REACQUAINT THEMSELVES WITH THE BOARD AND MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE VOTING ON THE SUBJECT MATTER THAT'S INTENDED. AND THE CLOTURE VOTE BEING "NO" MEANS THAT WE ARE DONE WITH THIS SUBJECT AND DONE FOR THIS SESSION. AND I'D HOPE THAT WE END IT AND MOVE ON TO OTHER THINGS. I HAVEN'T SPOKEN IN THE LAST FEW TIMES. I DID HAVE AN EXCHANGE WITH SENATOR

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LARSON EARLY DURING THE CONVERSATION DURING THIS DEBATE, HAD TO DO WITH NOT GETTING IT OUT OF EXEC BOARD AGAIN, AS HE TRIED SEVERAL YEARS AGO TO GET IT OUT, AND TAKING IT TO ANOTHER COMMITTEE. AND SO I STAND CORRECTED. IT WASN'T THE SAME BILL WHEN IT WAS INTRODUCED ON THE FLOOR, WHEN IT CAME OUT OF COMMITTEE. BUT, ESSENTIALLY, IT IS NOW THE SAME BILL. THE FACT THAT WE INCLUDE SUPREME COURT JUSTICES IN THIS MINIMUM AGE IS NOT ONLY LUDICROUS IT'S IMPRACTICAL AND IT'S IMPOSSIBLE. BUT WE TALKED ABOUT THAT FOR A WHILE BECAUSE IT WAS ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT WAS GOING TO BE EQUAL FOR EVERYONE. AGE IS NOT THE ONLY DISCRIMINATOR FOR A PROFESSION. SENATOR CHAMBERS ASKED ME A QUESTION THE OTHER DAY, COULD AN 18-YEAR-OLD PILOT A JUMBO JET? AN 18-YEAR-OLD COULD PILOT A SINGLE-ENGINE AIRPLANE, MINIMUM AGE IS 16 YEARS OLD TO GET A CERTIFICATE TO FLY A SINGLE-ENGINE AIRPLANE. BUT THE TIME AND EXPERIENCE, LIFE EXPERIENCES AND EXPERIENCE IN THE AIR ARE CRITICAL TO WHO YOU WANT TO FLY YOUR FAMILY AROUND THIS WORLD. VERY CLEARLY IT WOULD TAKE IN TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF CERTIFICATES, CHECK RIDES, INSTRUCTIONS, WELL INTO THE MID-20S BEFORE YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO QUALIFY TO FLY A JUMBO JET. AND EVEN THEN, I THINK UNITED, DELTA, AND I COULD GO ON WITH ALL THE REPUTABLE LARGE AIRLINES AROUND THE WORLD, ICELAND AIR, ETCETERA, MIGHT BE HESITANT TO GET SOMEONE WITH LESSER EXPERIENCES ON BOARD. SO THEY DON'T SET A LINE IN THE SAND AND SAY--YOU CAN'T PILOT THIS SPACESHIP. LET'S TALK ABOUT THE ASTRONAUT PROGRAM. EVERY 18-YEAR-OLD ASPIRES TO BE AN ASTRONAUT, I'M SURE, IF THEY HAVE AN INCLINATION. CAN'T DO IT. WE WANT YOU TO HAVE LIFE EXPERIENCES TO MOVE FORWARD WITH. WE WANT YOU TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THOSE DECISIONS TO MOVE FORWARD. I HEARD SENATOR PANSING BROOKS UP HERE A FEW MINUTES AGO, AND I THINK HER LESS THAN 25-YEAR-OLD CHILDREN ARE WISE BEYOND THEIR YEARS. THEY HAVE TOLD HER IN NO UNCERTAIN TERMS, IT WOULD NOT BE THE THING THAT THEY WOULD WANT US TO DO. SO WISDOM WILL TAKE TO US A POINT IN LIFE EXPERIENCES WHERE WE'RE ABLE TO FUNCTION IN CRITICAL, HIGH-STRESS POSITIONS. I WONDER HOW MANY 18-YEAR-OLDS WOULD HAVE BUCKLED UNDER DEATH THREATS IN THE PAST FEW YEARS, THOSE OF US WHO HAVE RECEIVED THEM AND THOSE OF US THAT HAVE HEARD ABOUT THEM. LAST YEAR WE PASSED A PIECE OF LEGISLATION THAT GAVE ACCOMMODATION FOR A YOUNG BRAIN WHO THAT BRAIN BEING MATURED THROUGHOUT ITS AGE REALLY IS NOT MATURED UNTIL ARGUABLY 23 TO 26. WE ACCOMMODATED FOR THAT IN TERMS OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN ACT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]



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SENATOR KRIST: WE'RE GOING TO DO THE SAME THING THIS YEAR. SENATOR MORFELD'S BRINGING ANOTHER BILL FORWARD TALKING ABOUT DRUGS. AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO TURN AROUND AND SAY THAT 18-YEAR-OLD, 19-YEAR-OLD BRAIN IS WHAT WE WANT TO REPRESENT US IN THE LEGISLATURE? I THINK NOT. I THINK LIFE EXPERIENCES, EDUCATION ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO THE WHOLE PROCESS. LET'S PUT THIS ONE AWAY AND MOVE ON TO THINGS...OTHER THINGS ON THE AGENDA. THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR KRIST. SENATOR BRASCH, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR BRASCH: THANK YOU, MR. SPEAKER, AND THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN, COLLEAGUES. I BELIEVE WE'VE HAD VERY IMPORTANT DISCUSSION THIS MORNING. AND I WOULD AGREE THAT SENATOR PANSING BROOKS'S DAUGHTER WHO IS CLOSE TO THE AGE, WHO UNDERSTANDS THE DAY-TO-DAY RESPONSIBILITIES THAT AN 18-YEAR-OLD HAS, A 17-YEAR-OLD HAS, THAT IN MANY OF THEIR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. AND ALSO AS SENATOR CHAMBERS WAS SAYING EARLIER, MANY HAVE JOBS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL. I WAS ONE THAT HAD EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND I WORKED PART-TIME, I WORKED PART-TIME AT A COUPLE JOBS. THAT'S ALL FORMING A PART OF WHO WE EVENTUALLY BECOME, EXPERIENCES, OUR KNOWLEDGE, AND OUR UNDERSTANDING OF OUR UPCOMING FUTURE. AND I'M ALSO THINKING, I MENTIONED EARLIER ABOUT LEGISLATION WE KEEP BRINGING TO COMMITTEES ABOUT HELPING THOSE YOUNG INDIVIDUALS. ONE THAT CAME TO MIND TODAY WAS LEGISLATION THAT WE PASSED CONCERNED ABOUT FOSTER CHILDREN TRANSITIONING OUT OF FOSTER CARE AND TAKING THE NEXT LEVEL OF OUT OF SCHOOL, YOU KNOW, INTO THEIR OWN APARTMENTS, THEIR OWN LIVES MOVING FORWARD, THAT YOUNG INDIVIDUALS ARE IN NEED OF SPECIAL ASSISTANCE. MOST RECENTLY IN OUR TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE WE HAD SEVERAL PEOPLE COME UP AND TESTIFY REGARDING THE SEAT BELT LAWS, THE SECONDARY OFFENSE WANTING TO CHANGE THAT. BUT THE INFORMATION THEY GAVE US, WHICH SURPRISED ME, WAS THE GENERATION THAT GREW UP IN CHILD RESTRAINT SEATS ARE THE ONES WHO MOST FREQUENTLY ARE FOUND TO NOT BE WEARING SEAT BELTS. AND THAT'S JUST ASTOUNDING. THAT FROM BIRTH TO SIX YEARS OLD AND THEN WHEN THEY BECOME TEENAGE DRIVERS THEY'RE NOT BUCKLING UP. THAT THAT KNOWLEDGE, THAT IMPORTANT KNOWLEDGE DID NOT MOVE FORWARD WITH THEM. ALSO DISTRACTED DRIVING IS VERY STRONG WITH OUR YOUNGER DRIVERS, WE HAVE SPECIAL DRIVING RESTRICTIONS. AND THE ALCOHOL LAWS THAT WE ALSO HAVE, THOSE ARE IMPORTANT. YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE A

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TENDENCY IN COLLEGES TO POISON THEIR SELVES POTENTIALLY WITH OVER-DRINKING. AND THERE'S A LOT OF TIME AND EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE AND WISDOM THAT OUR 18-YEAR-OLDS, THEY DO GAIN. AND MANY HAVE KNOWLEDGE BEYOND BELIEF, BUT HAVE THEY LIVED THROUGH AN AGING PARENT? THE BIRTH OF A CHILD? MILITARY SERVICE? DIFFERENT THINGS THAT LIFE WILL BRING YOU AS YEARS GO FORWARD. MANY OF THE SENATORS HERE, YOU KNOW, ARE ALSO...THEY HAVE A SECOND JOB TO HELP THEIR SALARY OF OUR SERVICE HERE. FINANCIALLY IT'S A CHALLENGE TO SERVE IN THE LEGISLATURE FOR MANY, UNLESS YOU HAVE A RETIREMENT PLAN OF SOME TYPE THAT CAN HELP YOU PAY YOUR BILLS AT THE END OF THE MONTH. EIGHTEEN- YEAR-OLDS ARE WONDERFUL IN MANY WAYS, AND THEY GROW, THEY GROW THROUGH FFA... [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR BRASCH: ....THROUGH VARIOUS GROUPS. BUT I THINK TO START AT 18 IN THE LEGISLATURE WILL NOT BENEFIT EVERY INDIVIDUAL IN THIS BODY OR IN THIS STATE. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. AND THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR BRASCH. SENATOR LARSON, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. [LR26CA]

SENATOR LARSON: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. LET'S RECOMMIT IT TO COMMITTEE. I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE SHOULD DO. SO IF THERE ARE CONCERNS, WE CAN RECOMMIT IT AND SEND IT OUT CLEAN. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR LARSON. SENATOR MURANTE, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED. QUESTION HAS BEEN CALLED. DO I SEE FIVE HANDS? I DO. QUESTION IS: SHALL DEBATE CEASE? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE, OPPOSED VOTE NAY. HAVE ALL VOTED WHO WISH? RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LR26CA]

CLERK: 28 AYES, 1 NAY TO CEASE DEBATE, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: DEBATE DOES CEASE. SENATOR CHAMBERS, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED TO CLOSE ON YOUR MOTION TO RECOMMIT. [LR26CA]

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SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU. MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, THIS WAS A PRIORITY MOTION TO TAKE TIME. WHAT SENATOR LARSON WOULD LIKE TO DO IN HIS DESPERATION IS GET YOU TO SEND IT BACK TO COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE WOULD THEN SEND IT BACK OUT HERE AND HE WOULD PRIORITIZE IT AND THE SPEAKER WOULD HAVE TO PUT IT ON THE AGENDA AND WE GO THROUGH THIS ALL OVER AGAIN. SO DON'T VOTE. IF WE GET TO A VOTE, VOTE NO ON THE RECOMMIT. THAT MOTION WAS STRICTLY TO GET US TO A CLOTURE VOTE. I COULD BE MISTAKEN, BUT I DON'T THINK THERE ARE 33 SENATORS WHO WANT TO CONTINUE THIS. ON THIS BILL, LET'S SAY THAT SOMEHOW HE GETS HIS 33 VOTES. YOU HAVE TO TAKE IT THE WAY IT IS WITHOUT AMENDMENT. THEN WHEN YOU GET TO FINAL READING, WHICH WILL OCCUR, PRIORITY MOTIONS CAN CARRY US TO THE POINT WHERE EITHER HE WILL MOVE FOR CLOTURE OR IT WILL COME OFF THE AGENDA AND NEVER COME BACK AGAIN THIS SESSION. THERE CANNOT BE AN AMENDMENT OFFERED TO THIS BILL. SO IF WE GET TO A CLOTURE VOTE, VOTE NO...I MEAN, IF WE GET TO A RECOMMIT VOTE, IF YOU DON'T WANT TO HAVE THIS OUT HERE AGAIN, VOTE AGAINST RECOMMITTING IT. IT WON'T WORK, SENATOR, BUT THANK YOU. MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, I'M GOING TO CARRY US TO A CLOTURE VOTE. AND THAT IS WHAT I SAID IN THE BEGINNING. WHEN SENATOR SCHUMACHER, EARLY INTO THE PROCEEDINGS, WAS EXPLAINING PROBLEMS WITH THE BILL, THEY DIDN'T WANT TO HEAR ANY OF THAT. THEN AS THEY BEGAN TO RUN INTO DIFFICULTY THEY THOUGHT, WELL, MAYBE IF WE ACCOMMODATE THE PROFESSOR THEN WE CAN GET A BETTER LOOKING BILL AND MAYBE MORE PEOPLE WILL VOTE FOR CLOTURE. BUT THEY DID NOT DO IT CORRECTLY. ACT IN HASTE, REPENT AT LEISURE. THIS ITEM BEING PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC TO BE VOTED ON AS AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION IS WORTHY OF FAR MORE DELIBERATE ACTION THAN HAS TAKEN PLACE. EVEN DURING THIS PERIOD WHEN I'VE BEEN JUST RUNNING OUT THE CLOCK, THERE COULD HAVE BEEN DISCUSSION FROM THOSE ON THE OTHER SIDE ABOUT THE NATURE OF THE CONSTITUTION AND THOSE IMPORTANT MATTERS THAT SHOULD BE IN THE RECORD, BUT THEY CHOSE TO JUST FRITTER AWAY THE TIME WHICH PLAYED INTO MY HANDS. PERIODICALLY THOUGH, I WOULD STILL TAKE TIME TO SPEAK ABOUT WHAT I DEEM TO BE SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS AND WHY I THINK THIS IS AN UNWISE PROPOSITION. BUT IT SHOULD NOT GO BACK TO COMMITTEE. AND AFTER YOU VOTE AGAINST RECOMMITTING IT, HE, MEANING SENATOR LARSON, IS NOT HOME FREE BECAUSE I WILL THEN OFFER A MOTION TO RECONSIDER. AND THAT WILL FOR SURE TAKE US TO CLOTURE. AND IF I UNDERSTAND THE RULES CORRECTLY, EITHER THAT IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN, THE MOTION WILL BE MADE, OR IT WILL BE TAKEN OFF THE AGENDA. BUT IF IT'S NOT TAKEN OFF THE AGENDA, I CAN

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TAKE US UNTIL NOON WITH MY RECONSIDERATION MOTION THAT I WILL OFFER AFTER THIS ONE. BUT IF YOU WANT TO BE THROUGH WITH THIS... [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: ONE MINUTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...VOTE AGAINST RECOMMITTING IT. IF SENATOR LARSON HAD REALLY BEEN INTERESTED IN DOING SOMETHING WITH THE BILL, AN EARLIER RECOMMIT MOTION WOULD HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED. BUT IT WAS NOT. SO I MOVED TO RECONSIDER THAT MOTION, AND THAT TOO WAS VOTED DOWN. I HAVE BEEN ABOVE BOARD IN EVERYTHING THAT I'VE DONE WITH EVERYTHING THAT I'VE SAID. THE OTHER SIDE HAS PLAYED FAST AND LOOSE THINKING THAT THEY COULD FIND A WAY AROUND THE RULES. YOU KNOW WHY I DON'T SAY AROUND ME? THIS IS NOT ME, SENATOR MORFELD. I AM SIMPLY A POOR MESSAGE BEARER. THE MESSAGE IS FOUND IN THE RULES. WERE IT NOT FOR THE RULES, I COULD NOT DO WHAT I'M DOING NOW. I'M NOT MAKING THIS UP OUT OF WHOLE CLOTH. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: TIME, SENATOR. [LR26CA]

SENATOR CHAMBERS: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THANK YOU, SENATOR CHAMBERS. MEMBERS, YOU'VE HEARD THE CLOSING ON THE MOTION TO RECOMMIT. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE, ALL THOSE OPPOSED VOTE NAY. SENATOR MURANTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR MURANTE: ROLL CALL VOTE, PLEASE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THERE HAS BEEN A REQUEST TO PLACE THE HOUSE UNDER CALL. THE QUESTION IS, SHALL THE HOUSE GO UNDER CALL? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE, OPPOSED VOTE NAY. RECORD, MR. CLERK. [LR26CA]

CLERK: 37 AYES, 0 NAYS TO PLACE THE HOUSE UNDER CALL. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THE HOUSE IS UNDER CALL. SENATORS, PLEASE RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. UNEXCUSED SENATORS OUTSIDE THE CHAMBER PLEASE RETURN AND RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. UNAUTHORIZED PERSONNEL PLEASE LEAVE THE FLOOR. THE HOUSE IS UNDER CALL. SENATOR MELLO, PLEASE CHECK IN. SENATOR BLOOMFIELD, PLEASE CHECK IN. SENATORS GLOOR, BURKE HARR,

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HUGHES AND DAVIS, PLEASE RETURN TO THE CHAMBER AND RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. SENATORS GLOOR, BURKE HARR, AND DAVIS, PLEASE RETURN TO THE CHAMBER AND RECORD YOUR PRESENCE. THERE HAS BEEN A REQUEST FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE. MEMBERS, THE QUESTION FOR THE BODY IS...SENATOR MURANTE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR MURANTE: A ROLL CALL IN REVERSE ORDER, PLEASE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THERE'S BEEN A REQUEST FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE IN REVERSE ORDER. THE QUESTION FOR THE BODY IS, SHALL LR26CA BE RECOMMITTED TO COMMITTEE? MR. CLERK, PLEASE READ THE ROLL. [LR26CA]

CLERK: (ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 632.) 15 AYES, 23 NAYS, MR. PRESIDENT, ON THE MOTION TO RECOMMIT. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: MOTION FAILS. MR. CLERK. [LR26CA]

CLERK: MR. PRESIDENT, I HAVE A PRIORITY MOTION. SENATOR LARSON WOULD MOVE TO INVOKE CLOTURE PURSUANT TO RULE 7, SECTION 10. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: IT IS THE RULING OF THE CHAIR THERE'S BEEN FULL AND FAIR DEBATE AFFORDED TO LR26CA. SENATOR LARSON. [LR26CA]

SENATOR LARSON: ROLL CALL, REVERSE ORDER. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: MR. CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL. [LR26CA]

CLERK: (ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN, LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGE 633.) 26 AYES, 18 NAYS, MR. PRESIDENT, ON THE MOTION TO INVOKE CLOTURE. [LR26CA]

SENATOR COASH: THE MOTION FAILS. I RAISE THE CALL. NEXT ITEM, MR. CLERK. ITEMS, MR. CLERK. [LR26CA]

CLERK: MR. PRESIDENT, I HAVE ITEMS. YOUR COMMITTEE ON ENROLLMENT AND REVIEW REPORTS LEGISLATIVE BILLS: LB718, LB753, LB786, LB859, LB898 TO SELECT FILE. BILLS READ ON FINAL READING THIS MORNING WERE PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR AT 10:28, MR. PRESIDENT (RE LB695, LB699, LB702, LB737,

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LB751, LB759, LB760, LB761, LB771, LB775, LB853, LB876, LB131, LB136, LB270, LB275, LB471, LB474, 474A, LB665, LB666, AND LB667). I HAVE A HEARING NOTICE FROM THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS COMMITTEE. AMENDMENTS TO BE PRINTED TO LR26CA, A MOTION TO LR26CA. I HAVE A NEW RESOLUTION, LR439 BY SENATOR CRAWFORD, THAT WILL BE LAID OVER. COMMITTEE REPORTS: LB897 IS REPORTED TO GENERAL FILE WITH AMENDMENTS BY THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS LB580 TO GENERAL FILE; LB1022 TO GENERAL FILE WITH AMENDMENTS; LR403 TO THE FLOOR FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION. JUDICIARY REPORTS LB710 TO GENERAL FILE WITH AMENDMENTS; LIKEWISE WITH LB831, LB919, LB934. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS COMMITTEE REPORTS LB447 TO GENERAL FILE WITH AMENDMENTS. JUDICIARY REPORTS LB947 TO GENERAL FILE WITH AMENDMENTS. I HAVE AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO LR...MR. PRESIDENT, PRIORITY BILL...EXCUSE ME, PRIORITY BILL DESIGNATIONS: SENATOR PANSING BROOKS--LB843; SENATOR BURKE HARR--LB1109; SENATOR SCHUMACHER--LB1103; AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE--LB730 AND LB968; AND SENATOR SEILER--LB1094. NAME ADDS: SENATOR WATERMEIER TO LB668. (LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL PAGES 633-647.) [LB718 LB753 LB786 LB859 LB898 LB695 LB699 LB702 LB737 LB751 LB759 LB760 LB761 LB771 LB775 LB853 LB876 LB131 LB136 LB270 LB275 LB471 LB474 LB474A LB665 LB666 LB667 LR26CA LR439 LB897 LB580 LB1022 LB403 LB710 LB831 LB919 LB934 LB447 LB947 LB843 LB1109 LB1103 LB730 LB968 LB1094 LB668]

AND, MR. PRESIDENT, A PRIORITY MOTION, SPEAKER HADLEY WOULD MOVE TO ADJOURN THE BODY UNTIL FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 19, AT 9:00 A.M.

SENATOR COASH: MEMBERS, YOU'VE HEARD THE MOTION. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE. WE ARE ADJOURNED.