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FOLEY: [RECORDER MALFUNCTION] Thank you, Pastor Krohn. I call to order the twelfth day of the One Hundred Sixth Legislature, First Session. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call. Mr. Clerk, please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections for the Journal?

ASSISTANT CLERK: No corrections this morning.

FOLEY: Thank you, sir. Are there any messages, reports, or announcements?

ASSISTANT CLERK: There are, Mr. President. I have a Reference report for LB589-LB739, plus LR13, LR14 and LR15. I have a list of registered lobbyists for the current week. And an announcement that agency reports have been filed with the Legislature can be found on the legislative Web site. That's all I have this morning.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Doctor of the day introduced.) Members, we'll now proceed immediately to the agenda, General File. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, first bill this morning, LB12, introduced by Senator Blood. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10 of this year, referred to the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee. The committee reports the bill to General File with no committee amendments.

FOLEY: Senator Blood, you're recognized to open on LB12.

BLOOD: Thank you, Mr. President. Fellow Senators, friends all, I thank you for this opportunity this morning to present LB12. LB12 is similar to other bills I brought forward in my first two years in the Legislature. The bill is designed to help remove the unnecessary hurdles that surround licensing in the state when it comes to military spouses and active duty members who move into Nebraska already licensed in their chosen profession. As you know from hearing about my previous bills, up to 90 percent of military spouses are unemployed or underemployed and that creates multiple problems. May I get the gavel, please? Thank you. That means our state is not collecting taxes on those individuals. Those families also have less disposable income to

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spend in our state. When a serviceman or woman is ready to retire and they have an unhappy spouse, they may not stay here in Nebraska because the spouse is unable to find appropriate employment and worst of all, we miss out on employing a well-educated demographic. Nebraska is consistently looking for bodies to fill jobs. Removing these hurdles is one more way we can alleviate this ongoing issue. LB12 allows active duty members or the spouses of active military members that are assigned to a permanent duty station in Nebraska, and they're also licensed agents in another state to practice the profession in Nebraska with greater ease by exempting them from the payment of the realty agent license fee for the first year. Also, active duty members or their spouses will be able to be licensed without having to pay the licensing fee here if they were previously licensed within a three-year window of time. If the agent has been licensed in the state of Nebraska in the last three years but allowed their license to lapse because they were ordered outside the state, they will not have to pay the licensing fee when they are ordered to return with their military member and family. I am thrilled to say that the realtors of Nebraska have embraced this bill. They understand the importance of the influx of military families moving in and out of Nebraska has for their industry, as well as the benefits of experienced agents coming into our state to join their community of experts. The fact of the matter is that the state of Nebraska can and should do more for our military families. I was thrilled to see the long list of bills brought forward on behalf of our veterans and military families this year by our body. Bills such as this continue to be an ongoing mission for my office and I will continue to do this on behalf of our military because I have a fire in my belly to get these issues resolved. The people that work in and around Offutt are more than our friends and neighbors. They are people who keep a massive, economic driver going in this state. It would be prudent of our state to always push forward this type of legislation and stay in front of these issues. My office has been working closely with the Department of Defense, military community, and family policy office on all of our military family bills these last three years. We need to do everything we can in order to show the federal government and the Pentagon that we are military friendly. This proposed change is one of many that makes it easier for spouses of military members to get jobs and work at the professions of choice. This is a great bipartisan bill that we can all get behind. We must never forget that the families also serve and when we protect our military families, we are also protecting the missions. I ask that you please vote green and join me in supporting Nebraska's military families today.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Blood. Members, you've heard the opening on LB12. Discussion of the bill. Senator Williams.

WILLIAMS: Thank you, Mr. President, and good morning, colleagues. And I stand in support of LB12 on behalf of Senator Blood and appreciate the fact that she is passionate about bringing these bills to us. I wanted to point out that we had one testifier, Martin Dempsey, from the Department of Defense, that came from Washington to our state, and he is here to support the bill, but also to recognize that our state has become a shining star in working on these issues to

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support our military and our veterans, and I applaud Senator Blood for bringing this. The Banking Committee voted this out 8-0 with no opposition and I would encourage your green light vote on advancing LB12. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Williams. Senator Crawford.

CRAWFORD: Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of LB12 and thank Senator Blood for bringing this bill forward and the committee for voting it out unanimously. This is an important step to take in supporting our military families. As a Senator from a district that has many of these military families, I know. I've talked to many of them about the challenges of moving every two years. And so any step we can take to make it easier for them to step up into our work force is an important step to take. And again, I thank Senator Blood for bringing this bill and urge you to support LB12. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Crawford. Senator Blood, seeing no further discussion, you're recognized to close on your bill.

BLOOD: Please vote green and support our military families and active duty members.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Blood. The question for the body is the advance of LB12 to E&R Initial. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 43 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB12 advances. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, prior to consideration of LB26, the Ag Committee will hold an Executive Session in Room 2022 now. With respect to LB26, it was introduced by Senator Kolterman. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10, referred to the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee, placed on General File by that committee with no committee amendments.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Kolterman, you're recognized to open on LB26.

KOLTERMAN: Good morning, Mr. President and fellow colleagues. I'm here to ask for your support of LB26. LB26 creates an exemption to the definition of legal expense insurance to

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update our laws along for plans that are different business model than those that are established in the late 1970s when the current state law was put into place. The current statutory definition describes a business model that provides the reimburses for legal expenses in such a manner that the total cost incurred by assuming the obligation is to spread directly or indirectly among a group of persons. Originally, the goal of this in 1979 statute was to help assure that all Nebraskans have an opportunity to afford quality legal services. The Legislature sought to provide formation of legal expense insurance companies that would assume the risk in obligations of legal expenses and spread the risk amongst the insureds. Although legal expense plans that reimburse for legal expenses still exist, this bill seeks to exempt modern day plan that do not assume the risk of the legal expenses. Rather members under this model pay a monthly fee for referral to a provider law firm established in the state. The provider law firm provides consultations, limited services to the members, like advice on how to handle a speeding ticket. Attorneys are paid an administrative fee by the plan. Members receive no reimbursement or indemnification for these services under the plan. This business model eliminates the claim risk that traditional insurance companies experience and that this law anticipated when it was originally passed. LB26 simply clarifies the definition of legal expense insurance to allow for modern day plans that pay an administrative fee to an attorney so that it's not considered payment or reimbursement for specified legal services. The bill also adds an exemption to the statute excluding from regulation plans that do not include the assumption of risk or obligation to pay or reimburse for specified legal services or specified legal expenses. LB26 did not receive any opposition during the hearing. It was supported unanimously by the committee and I'd encourage you to support LB26 and I'd be glad to answer any questions you might have. Thank you.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Kolterman. Members, you've heard the opening on LB26. Discussion on the bill. Senator Chambers.

CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, being an old person, there are habits I have and habits are difficult to break, especially when they're old habits held by an old person. Each day I feel the necessity to talk about the conditions in the country at large as they impact poor people, voiceless people, those who did not realize they would one day be among the ranks of the poor, the voiceless, the hopeless, the helpless, the ones I put in my category of the three L's, the least, the last, and the lost. I'm sure that these federal workers never thought, if they had ever heard of those three terms put together, they would be among them. I hear things that either your President or somebody high in his administration will say that will infuriate me and yet I hear no negative or counter-comment from Nebraska's so-called Congressional delegation. Two Senators, three House members, but they're like, they're as insignificant as cans tied to the tail of a dog who is being chased by children down the village street. They make noise sometimes, but it is of no consequence. They go along with everything their President does. They will not speak about the harm that is befalling American citizens, noncitizens, people in general. I cannot let

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that go. I thought somebody else this morning would take issue with a comment that one of his high-placed people said, especially since farmers in this state are going to be delayed in receiving their welfare checks. He said, this guy, well, these people who are not getting checks, why don't they get a loan? How many bankers on this floor or anywhere else would give somebody a loan who has no income, no job security? How many farmers could go to a banker and say, because of the trade war, as it's called, and the tariffs imposed by you all's President, I have mountains of soybeans in my silo and I'd like to get a loan against these soybeans. The bank would say, well, my friend, you don't get a loan because we like soybeans, you get a loan and those soybeans may serve as collateral if you have a market for your soybeans, and from those soybeans you're gonna derive the wherewithal to pay this loan. If I, as a banker, extended a loan to you and you had inadequate collateral and the bank examiners came, they would say, hey buddy, this is a classified loan. When it falls into the status of being classified, you either got to call it in or get some more collateral. So bankers are not going to lend money on mountains of soybeans which cannot be sold. This rotten Trumpite told these people, who would serve you all's government, get a loan.

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: He, your President. Well, I'll have to wait 'til I'm recognized again before I launch into that. But you all are familiar with a comment made around the time of the French Revolution, let them eat cake. You didn't know that somebody would make a more stupid statement than that in America, did you? Well, your President, whom you all worship and follow like spit-licking curs, made a statement worse than that. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Hunt.

HUNT: Thank you, Lieutenant Governor. I wanted to stand up here and speak on something very important today. And I agree with Senator Chambers that it needs to be brought up on the record and that's the responsibility of every lawmaking body to be talking about right now and that's the federal government shutdown. Today I'm dropping a Legislative Resolution to request from this body that Congress and the President reopen the federal government immediately, and I wanted to read that to you since I haven't introduced it yet. "WHEREAS, the federal government has been partially shut down since December 22, 2018, the longest government shutdown in this country's history; and, WHEREAS, on January 25, 2019, approximately eight hundred thousand federal workers will miss their second paycheck since the shutdown began; WHEREAS, the shutdown of the federal government has weakened national and state security; and WHEREAS, the shutdown of the federal government has negatively impacted Nebraska's economy and small business community. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION: That the

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Legislature recognizes the contributions and applauds the generosity of Nebraska businesses that are supporting federal workers through donations of goods and services. That the Legislature urges the President of the United States and members of Congress to reopen the federal government immediately. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States and to each member of Nebraska's congressional delegation." It's been 35 days, colleagues. Some people ask me why I wanted to speak about this in the Nebraska Legislature when it's a federal issue. And to that I say when over 5,000 Nebraskans are affected by what's happening at the federal level, it is our responsibility to use our platform and our power, and what we have here to stand up for constituents, and more importantly for all the people in this state who are working to support us. I've seen what other states have done in terms of legislation protecting federal employees from having their utilities turned off, helping them get no interest short-term loans. I really regret that we didn't have a bill in the hopper before the final day for bill introduction. But colleagues, I hope we can work together over the coming weeks to find some proactive solutions to help Nebraskans who need it now. I would ask Nebraskans watching this on television to keep up the pressure on your elected officials in Congress, and here too, to end the shutdown. Numbers I've seen from the Omaha World-Herald show this is affecting over 5,000 Nebraskans who work for the nine federal agencies that this shutdown affects. But we know it's affecting many more people than that because when the federal government can't work, it affects private enterprise as well. For example, Nebraska company Zipline Brewing, which can't rely on oversight needed to move forward with new products, could be facing a massive loss of revenue and products. It affects farmers who can't depend on accurate market reports. It affects seniors who are struggling more to find new employment. It affects mothers and families who for the first time are waiting in lines for food banks and depending on donations of gift cards to get by. It affects our national and state security when our airports don't have the TSA support they need to keep travelers safe. The effect this shutdown has on the people of Nebraska means it's time for us to do something. People of all political backgrounds, I can tell you, from what I hear from speaking to furloughed employees and people working without paychecks in my district, which I spent several hours doing last night, partisanship flies out the door when you're hungry, when you just want to get back to work and earn an honest living. Over 5,000 people in Nebraska are denied a paycheck for the second time today and it's time for us to say something about it on the record. I introduced this resolution because working families are not a bargaining chip, and we'll see what happens with it. I don't know where it's going to go in this body, but I hope it's something we can all agree to support.

FOLEY: One minute.

HUNT: Thank you. I wanted to wait a moment here to drop this LR until after I spoke about it to give everybody the opportunity to sign on to it if they would like to so your name can be added to it when I introduce it. We just need to take the opportunity to lead on this in Nebraska because

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we aren't seeing that done at the federal level. So it's time for us to take responsibility to do that at the state level. Thank you.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Hunt. Senator Chambers.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. I don't speak French. I don't understand French. But there are certain phrases that we all understand. One that your President probably has never read because he said he doesn't like to read. If he read the words he wouldn't know what they meant, couldn't pronounce them, but a famous French king said. [SPEAKING FRENCH] L'Etat, c'est moi. And he said that to the French parliament and a long time ago. It was Louis the XIV. And things did not end well for him. There are people who wear crowns and they say the crowned head rests uneasy on the pillow. These crowned heads found out that they could be separated from the body. Death is coming to everybody at some time, someplace, in some manner. And for some people, it can be hastened when they do great damage to large numbers of people. This person who said, let them eat cake inspired a French writer, Jean-Jacques Rousseau, to write the following words in an essay. Quote. At length I recollected the thoughtless saying of a great princess who on being informed that the country people had no bread replied, let them eat cake. Things did not end well for her either. You have a President who is involving this country in the internal affairs of Venezuela. Maduro is the legitimate President. A guy named Guido has proclaimed himself the President and Trump recognized him, but all of the military recognized Maduro. Somebody once said about the Pope, how many divisions does he have, when the Pope's name was invoked for a political purpose? And he was talking, the one who said it about military divisions. There was the dispute between the U.S. Supreme Court and Andrew Jackson. John Marshall, who by the way never went to law school but was Chief Justice, had made a ruling and the issue that all bankers here will be aware of, dealt with the national bank. And Andrew Jackson said, John Marshall has made his decision, let him carry it out. There are conflicts that occur within governments between departments, agencies, and individuals. Sometimes they can reach a fever pitch that will run the risk of undermining or destroying the fabric of a country. A lunatic in the White House is rapidly approaching that point. Military people need not obey illegal orders.

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: If Trump orders a military strike against Venezuela, it should not be obeyed, and he should immediately be placed in protective custody because he is a danger to himself as well as others. He has a silly son who has a silly wife who made the silly statement that these people being unemployed might be good for the country in the long run. She'll never miss a meal. Trump's silly son won't miss a meal. Silly Trump himself won't miss a meal. Thank you, Mr. President.

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FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Morfeld.

MORFELD: Thank you, Mr. President. Colleagues, I rise in support of Senator Megan Hunt's legislative resolution. I know that's not what we're debating right now, but I would encourage you to sign on to it because I know that she's walking around getting people to sign on support. I'll tell you that particularly in Lincoln and I know in communities all across the state, we have federal workers who are experiencing extreme hardship who all they want to do is do their job and be able to serve their state and their country with the critical and important services that they provide. I know for a fact what kind of hardship this has on families because my father is a federal employee. He works for the Department of Defense, for the Department of the Navy, and while he's not furloughed right now because he's one of the fortunate government employees and agencies that is funded, he's experienced these furloughs in the past as well. And they really do have hardship on the families, particularly when our own members of Congress are still receiving their paychecks. These are also federal employees who are struggling to make ends meet. And I think it's pretty absurd that some in the administration, the federal administration would suggest that these working-class folks go out and get personal loans to be able to make ends meet and this shouldn't be such a big deal. I don't know about you, but I know there is a lot of people that already have a lot of loans out, loans for their kids to go to college, loans to take care of medical debt and other expenses, and many people may not have the luxury of being a senior administration official and having access to bank credit and loans. So it's pretty absurd that that's the solution that many of our leaders in Washington, D.C., think is a solution to working folks not being able to have a job over something that should never have been politicized to this point in the first place. I think we need to take leadership as a state, support Senator Hunt's resolution and I encourage you to do so next week. And by the way, I'll also support the underlying bill that we're talking about here, LB26 by Senator Kolterman. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Morfeld. Senator Chambers, you're recognized for the third time.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. My third time on this bill, but not all bills yet. I generally support all of the bills that Senator Blood brings to assist the military. The reason I say generally, I cannot absolutely say I've supported every one and I've supported the last one. But see, I'm the one who looks beyond-- this is not a slam at Senator Blood. I don't look at the mainstream because I don't swim in the mainstream. The mainstream is inhabited by some pretty sickly fish. I look at those who are on the fringe, those who are on the underside of society's garment, those who lift the heavy end of the log. So, the ones who live in the shadows right now in your city-- well, I should say your state because you all don't live in whatever city Offutt is located in, Bellevue or Omaha or both of them. There are people who took an oath to defend this country and included in that oath was the understanding that he or she, or they, would risk life, limb, and everything for this country. They're called transpeople, transgender individuals who

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voluntarily join the military of the United States of America and your President, that lunatic, that imbecile, that racist, that warmonger on other people's soil, found out how much time it took to run from America to Canada if he would have had to go to the military. Some nice doctor said, well, he had a couple of foot problems that would keep him from being in the military and he issued a directive that transgender people get kicked out of the military. Who speaks for them? They should not have to speak for themselves alone. People who are in that situation don't have a voice in legislative assemblies. They don't have a voice on the staffs of governors, mayors, presidents. They're just left out there to swing in the breeze. And I don't know if any of the people who are here that Senator Morfeld invited are from the U.K., but he left-- President Trump helped encourage her to get in a position where she's now swinging in the breeze. The European union should tell her, you go have all of your economic tie-ins with the United States of America because you follow what Trump told you to do. You were happy when he supported you. Has he made any statements now to make up for any shortfalls when the U.K. is kicked out now of the European union? What has Trump said? Well, Theresa, we make decisions and we have to live with those decisions. He didn't say that. He's not man enough to say that. He runs and he hides and he talks about building a wall between America and Mexico. Never served a day in his life in the military. Had a doctor fabricate reasons why he shouldn't have to serve. He talks about respecting the military and those who are in it. He unceremoniously fired some high-ranking military people--

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: --with records far stellar than anything he will ever put together because they tried to do their job on his staff, that they were put on that staff for, and that's to act in accord with their integrity, their intelligence, their experience, but it ran afoul of a lunatic. So the lunatic was given the power under the United States Constitution to unceremoniously fire them, which he did. And now he's telling all these transgender soldiers, sailors, marines, air persons, Air Force members, get out. And what is said on this floor? Senator Blood can't carry the whole load of everything that relates to the military, so it falls to me. The descendant of slaves, dehumanized, owned like property.

FOLEY: Time up.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Kolterman, you're recognized to close on LB26.

KOLTERMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you for all that-- I'm going to try and bring you back to the bill so you understand what we're talking about here. This bill, LB26, changes

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statute to the extent that it now offers not prepaid legal insurance. That's still gonna be in the existence today, but it will offer a legal referral service. So instead of buying insurance to take care of all your legal fees, you buy a plan that allows you to go to a specific firm and then they deal with your legal fees. They don't assume the risk. So all we're doing in statute is making a business model available in a different model than existed in 1979 when the original model was passed. Legal expense insurance will still be sold in the state of Nebraska. This just allows for another model, and so I would encourage you to support this bill. Thank you.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Kolterman. Members, you heard the debate on LB26. The question for the body is the advance of the bill to E&R Initial. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance LB26, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB26 advances. Proceeding to the next bill. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, first of all, the Executive Board will hold an Executive Session at 9:45 under the south balcony. The next bill, LB77 introduced by Senator Williams. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10 of this year, referred to the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee, placed on General File with no committee amendments.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Williams, you're recognized to open on LB77.

WILLIAMS: Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning again, colleagues. LB77 was introduced at the request of the Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Board. It would amend the Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Act to reduce barriers to entry into real property appraisal profession. The bill was put together over this past summer and fall by the staff of that board and also the staff of the Banking Committee pursuant to the interim study resolution, LR352. The bill would implement the real property appraiser qualifications criteria adopted by the Appraisal Foundation's Appraiser Qualification Board clear back on May 1 of 2018. And it would also maintain compliance with Title XI of the federal Financial Institution's Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989. Title XI requires each state to prescribe appropriate standards for the performance of real estate appraisals in connection with federally related transactions. Real estate appraisers are to be performed in accordance with generally accepted uniform appraisal standards and the appraisers whose professional conduct is subject to supervision by the state. There are four qualifications of credentials issued to real property appraisers. Number one is the trainee real property appraiser. Number two is the licensed residential real property appraiser. Number three is the certified residential real property appraiser. And number four is the certified general real property appraiser. This bill makes a number of updates and changes to the

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Appraiser Act. Among the highlights, the bill would reduce the number of hours of experience required for licensed residential classification from 2,000 hours to 1,000 hours, and for the certified residential classification 2,500 hours to 1,500. The bill would remove the postsecondary education requirements for licensed residential classification and would allow for alternative postsecondary education options for certified residential class. The bill would allow for qualifying education to be completed online. In the many areas of cleanup, the bill would also reorganize the definitions of the Nebraska Appraiser Management Company Registration Act so that they appear in alphabetical order and would update an internal reference to federal law. Now, all of that said, and everybody's eyes are glazed over, here is why it is necessary for us to pass this law this session. If the state of Nebraska's laws are found not to be in compliance, which they will not be, not to be in compliance with Title XI by the Appraisal Subcommittee of the federal Financial Institutions Council, the Appraisal Subcommittee may remove all Nebraska credentialed appraisers from the federal registry, resulting in no appraisers being qualified to appraise real property in connection with federal transactions. Approximately 80 percent of all mortgage transactions would be affected because they have to meet this standard. At the public hearing held earlier this week on Tuesday, in addition to the Real Property Appraiser Board, the bill was supported by the Nebraska Bankers Association, the Nebraska Realtors Association, and the Platte Institute. There was no opposition testimony and the bill advanced from committee on an 8-0 vote. I would encourage your green vote to advance LB77 to Select File. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Williams. Debate is now open on LB77. Senator Chambers.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, Senator Williams and I generally get along very well. And even if he doesn't like what I'm going to use his bill for, he will understand why I'm doing it and will not be surprised because-- and we say this about each other mutually, every breath you take, every move you make, every yard you rake, every cake you bake, every claim you stake, I'll be watching you. So he'll be watching and listening. Do you all notice bills that are brought on behalf of or to benefit others who are not on this floor, who is speaking for those who are being put out of work by your government. You all cannot relate to those who get subsidized rent, but you can relate to the landlords who are subsidized by that subsidized rent that these renters pay. And a woman who is a landlord who operates her property with subsidies based on the Section 8 program said that she is about to be liquidated by what your President has done in shutting down the government. Well, why is the landlord going to be liquidated? Because she has money that she owes to the lender who made it possible for her to purchase this property that will be rented to people with subsidized rent. And she has to make mortgage payments since those who get the subsidized rent will not get that subsidy and will not be able to pay the rent, she will not be able to get her subsidized income. She has already been told if she doesn't make her mortgage payments, she will be foreclosed on. So some of those with whom you all may be able to identify are also affected. When bad things happen at the

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hands of the government, it is a meat ax approach, not a scalpel, and all kind of people are going to be harmed and hurt and everybody will be told, well, in the long run it's good for you while your President is not missing a meal. There are people who like country music. Some like western music. Some like country western. Some like bluegrass. I like all kind of music. I feel like Louis Armstrong and Ray Charles, there are only two kinds of music. Good music and bad music. Music is a medium through which people express things about their life. Their hopes, their dreams, and that music reflects what they are. If I hear a twanging guitar, I get a picture in my mind right away of the kind of words I'm likely to hear. So what I'm going to do is borrow a song and I'm going to sing it for you all because this is what Trump would have said and the only thing I'm going to change about it is the direction 'cause he'll be heading to Canada. [SINGING] Northbound and down, loaded up and trucking, we gonna do what they say can't be done. I got a long way to go, and a short time to get there. I'm northbound, watch old bandit run. He was running like a bandit to avoid military service. And now he's giving service people, who did not run away, the back of his hand and scarcely anything is said in their behalf. It's difficult for me not to talk about things that happen to people who cannot help themselves because as I was beginning to say--

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: --as a descendant of slaves, we were owned and treated like cows, pigs, and chickens, only more brutally because there were laws against things being done to cows, pigs, and chickens that were done to black people, routinely being skinned alive, burned alive, pregnant women being stomped until the fetus was expelled, then the fetus was stomped. And I'm not making this up. These people, just like the Nazis during the Holocaust, kept records of what was being done. They wrote about it because it was accepted and now some of those newspaper stories are starting to disappear because people are ashamed. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Clements, you're recognized.

CLEMENTS: Thank you, Mr. President. I stand in support of LB77. As a small town banker for the last 40 years, I've been using appraisers regularly and it's been noticeable that it's been harder and harder to find appraisers, especially in the rural areas where the requirements to be an appraiser have been difficult to qualify for. And especially in the small area, some of them don't do a lot of appraising and so the requirements of that many hours of study has been excessive. So I would-- I support this bill because it's going to increase the supply of appraisers for bankers and also for people needing mortgages will be able to get the appraisal done, and also create some more jobs for people who want to be appraisers who have been prevented because of a

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difficulty of going through the process. So I urge you to support this bill. I think it will help the lending community and also the borrowing community. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Clements. Senator Chambers.

CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I would like to engage Senator Clements in a colloquy, a little discussion if he's willing.

FOLEY: Senator Clements, are you willing to yield?

CLEMENTS: Yes.

CHAMBERS: Senator Clements, in the time that I've been here, you probably have had as great a tone of compassion, concern in discussing other matters, but today you're talking about appraisers. Is that correct?

CLEMENTS: Yes.

CHAMBERS: And these appraisers do work that is beneficial to the work that is done by bankers?

CLEMENTS: Yes.

CHAMBERS: So your words would apply both to bankers and appraisers in terms of trying to get the Legislature to do something that would help both of these categories?

CLEMENTS: Yes.

CHAMBERS: And you mentioned rural people. Are you talking about rural bankers and rural appraisers?

CLEMENTS: Yes.

CHAMBERS: Did anybody put a gun to their head and mandate that they live and work and have their being in the rural area?

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CLEMENTS: No.

CHAMBERS: So they all made voluntary choices to be there?

CLEMENTS: Yes.

CHAMBERS: And now there are problems that are developing for both of them due to economic and other conditions and circumstances beyond their individual control. Is that generally correct?

CLEMENTS: Yes.

CHAMBERS: And you feel that the Legislature, since we have the power to do something to help them, should use that power to help them?

CLEMENTS: Yes.

CHAMBERS: Thank you. I couldn't have said it better myself, Mr. President. In terms of giving a reason why we as a Legislature should show that compassion for people who are placed in circumstances beyond their control over which they have no control, and some of them are being ordered by your government to come back to work without pay. No appraiser would be expected to appraise without pay. No bank employee would be expected to show up for work without pay. Your Constitution, which I said is a perfect blueprint for a constitutional dictatorship, prohibits involuntary servitude. Involuntary servitude, as a legal term, is forced labor. Forced labor for which a person is not paid. Your government, your white-run government presided over by a lunatic who draft dodged compelling the involuntary servitude of people not as a punishment for crime, but as a punishment for having been loyal, having done their job, having kept the train on the track if they were to be analogized to a railroad. Kept the machinery operational if they're to be analogized to mechanics. Kept the government operating and what thanks do they get? Come to work and you will not be paid. Well, Mr. President, are you drawing your several hundred thousand dollar a year salary? That's irrelevant. Well, he wouldn't use that word. He doesn't read. He doesn't know words like that. But he did say that he knows more about technology than anybody in this country. This lunatic has so little awareness of time, place, and reality that he says publicly he knows more about technology than anybody in this country and he doesn't even know how to spell--

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CHAMBERS: --when he is tweeting. That's your President. If President Obama had done one-tenth of what this white lunatic has done, I know what you would have done because I heard and watched things you did when President Obama was in office doing more by accident than this lunatic would do on purpose to benefit people in this country. His wife didn't come in public in mini-skirts. White people condemned Michelle Obama when during the visit to England she had her arm around the Queen. And you know what the Queen told those white idiots over here? She put her arm around Michelle Obama's waist first. She invited touching. You don't touch the Queen, they say. White racists don't even wait to get the story straight because black people, no matter what we achieve in this country, are still not viewed as full-fledged human beings. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Chambers, you may be recognized now for the third time.

CHAMBERS: [SINGING] Down and down I go, round and round I go, in a spin, loving the spin I'm in. And I'm going to read a statement that was handed to me this morning that I made in the year 2016 to show you that like God, Jehovah, I change not. Quote. Popeye and have this in common: We are what we are and that's all that we are and I yam what I yam and that's all that I yam and I yam going to be that everywhere all the time. When you see me, you know what you're going to get. And you need to hear it on this floor. Unlike what my colleague, Senator Briese said, go out and say it on the street corner or to the media, I was elected to the Legislature, not the street corner, not the media. I have a voice and I'm going to use it. And you all say that prayer of one kind or another every morning. One of my colleagues offered a slogan that said In God We Trust. All of your slogans are lies. That's a lie. Who comprises this "we"? What is this God? How is that trust manifested? Certainly not in the mean-spirited conduct of people on this floor who profess this trust in God. I would advise those people to read the "Bible" as much as I've read it and they would learn something about civil discourse between Congress and the President and they have a chaplain in Congress who is ignored as much as the preachers who come here. Check the discussion between God and Satan in the book of Job. They didn't-- poor Job, he didn't realize that he was the stakes in a wager between almighty God in whom some people claim to trust and their conduct belies what they said. And Satan, whom all of you all hate. Satan tells the truth more often than you all do. Satan tells the truth. And if he lied all the time, you wouldn't believe anything he says. But God and Satan were sitting down under a tree discussing things like you and me. Said one to the other, well, I'm not going to give you the whole rhyme that I wrote about him. God said, how are you doing, Satan? Satan said, I'm doing all right. He said, what are you up to? He said, oh, the usual. He said, well, where did you come from? He said, I come from going. Then added, up and down, in the earth, and walking to and fro in it. And there is nobody who is going to do what you tell them to do. And that's when poor Job, down there suffering, became the stakes in this high-level barter, argument, te ta te' colloquy. So Job is not bothering God. God said, have you, Satan, considered my servant,

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Job? Satan said, I've had my eye on him for a long time. And God said-- I'm paraphrasing 'cause I wasn't there. I go by what I read and then I extrapolate, "interpretate," explicate, and sometimes exaggerate.

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: Did you say time?

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: Oh, thank you. Is this my second or third time?

FOLEY: This is your third opportunity.

CHAMBERS: Okay. I will wait until -- you said this is my third time now?

FOLEY: Correct.

CHAMBERS: Okay. I will wait until another bill comes up and in the spirit of collegiality, I'm going to restore to the Chair, as my colleagues say for some reason, whatever seconds remain that I could fill. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Members, you heard the debate. Senator Williams, you're recognized to close on LB77.

WILLIAMS: Thank you, Mr. President, and I would like to draw your attention back to LB77. It was in the discussion. It was mentioned that potentially appraisers and banks would benefit from the passing of this. I would suggest that that could be true, but the people that will actually benefit are those people that will be receiving the loans that are allowed because of the federal transactions. And I would remind everyone that if we do not pass this legislation, it would result in having no appraisers being qualified to do federal transaction appraisals in the state of Nebraska. With that, I would encourage your green vote in advancing LB77 to Select File. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Williams. Members, you've heard the debate on LB77. The question before the body is the advancement of the bill to E&R Initial? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

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ASSISTANT CLERK: 42 ayes, 0 nays on the advancement of the bill, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB77 advances. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: LB49 was introduced by Senator Stinner. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10 of this year, referred to the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee, placed on General File with committee amendments attached.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Stinner, you're recognized to open on LB49.

STINNER: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, I'm introducing LB49 on behalf of the Nebraska Society of CPAs. The bill was advanced out of committee with an 8-0 vote. LB49 authorizes the ownership of public accounting firms by employee stock option plans. In addition, LB49 stipulates that noncertified public accountants referred to in the statute as natural persons shall not exceed 49 percent of the total equity interest. Under current statute, ownership of public accounting firms must be a natural person, a corporation, LLC, partnership, and licensed as a public accounting firm. To accomplish this, LB49 clarifies how a law shall identify owners, which shall be natural persons, tax-qualified retirement plans called an employee stock ownership plans, partnerships, LLCs and corporations. Under current law, the term natural persons is not clearly identified for the purpose of ownership. So LB49 adds clarifying language as it relates to natural persons. LB49 also clarifies that partnerships, LLCs, and corporations must be registered and hold a permit as provided under the Public Accountancy Act. Many firms may choose to avoid the complexity of ESOPs, which is why this bill attempts to address those concerns, as well by clarifying definitions of natural persons. There is an amendment, AM9, which should close loopholes under the current language. As currently written, LB49 would allow those who are non-CPA, nonactive participants do have an ownership interest in the public accounting firm. This amendment would clarify only active participants or employees, managers, ESOP beneficiaries, would be allowed an ownership interest. I would like to conclude by respectfully asking a green vote on both LB49 and AM9. Thank you.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Stinner. As the Clerk indicated, there are amendments from the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee. Senator Williams, you're recognized to open on the committee amendment.

WILLIAMS: Thank you, Mr. President. The committee amendment to LB49 were brought to the committee by the bill's introducer, Senator Stinner. Upon a close review of the bill as introduced, there was a concern raised that elimination of some of the existing language might have the unintended consequence of opening a door to non-CPA owners of firms who would be simply passive investors in the firm. So operating out of an abundance of caution, the committee

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amendments would state emphatically what has always been intended by those who brought the bill. Non-CPA owners who are natural persons shall actively participate in the firm if they are direct owners, or, two, shall actively participate in the partnership, limited liability company, or corporation through which the natural person has beneficial ownership of the firm. The committee amendment makes that one clarifying change. I would urge the adoption of this amendment and the advancement of LB49 to Select File. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Williams. Debate is now open on LB49 and the pending committee amendment. Senator Chambers.

CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President and members of the Legislature, because amendments are offered to this bill, I will have more than three opportunities to speak. Now, if I'm going to do what I'm doing today on noncontroversial bills, bills that I support, imagine what I'm going to do when some of that trash legislation comes through here and a vast majority will be supporting it because a political party will have told them to do it. I will fight tooth and nail. I'm not even fighting now. I'm indignant about what is happening to other people, but I'm not especially upset with members of the Legislature as I would be if the Legislature were causing this. I'm upset because the Legislature can do something to alleviate to some extent what's happening but won't. And there are times when words substitute for action. We do not have the wherewithal to have any impact on how long the government will stay shut down due to the act of this lunatic dictator. But we can express our opposition to it, the concern we have for the people in this state since some of you all think very narrowly in rural areas since some of you all think even narrower who are affected by this shutdown. What about the TSA agents who do a lot of examining of passengers and things that are being brought on these airplanes who are not being paid and are starting to call in sick and some are resigning because they can't make a living? And if they say they want a temporary job while this is going on, those companies are outfits that provide temporary employees will not even accept them because they are too temporary to be considered reliable temps. They can't do anything, so they have to quit. More problems exist for this country by way of airlines, airplanes, and the Coast Guard people are not being paid. Let them stop doing the work that the Coast Guard does, not just rescuing stupid people who go out under conditions on to water that they shouldn't, but interdiction, other things that are necessary to the safety of people in this country. In other words, national security. They're not being paid either. There is a weather bureau that does a lot of scientific work with reference to the weather which even the climate change deniers will pay attention to. Now in Nebraska maybe it doesn't make much difference. Maybe it doesn't matter. If we get on roads and slide off and get stuck in a snowbank and freeze, people will just say, well, in that whole state if you kill everybody, civilization will not be reduced any, just reduce the number of people who are consuming. But there are areas where the amount of rainfall that is due is very important. They have to worry about floods. They have to worry about dams, dikes, canals. And if they're aware that these human-being-made structures will not be able to withstand the force that nature can exert just

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through water, one of the softest substances you can find. To show how devastating it is though, the Colorado River cut the Grand Canyon. So the softest thing cut through the hardest thing, you got the Grand Canyon. The people in these areas that are subject to flooding can't get that information that they need. You all call them meteorologists, weather forecasters, various things. But they warn individuals--

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: --that there is going to be a lot of water coming. It can't be stopped. If you're going to try to survive, you need to make haste for higher ground now. None of that is being taken care of. Your President doesn't even talk about it. And if somebody around him mentions something, well, let them get a loan. This will be good for the country in the long run. And that is not comforting to people who are the recipients of all of these bad actions. And he cannot blame this on immigrants, legal or illegal, whatever terminology they apply. These things are being done by one crazy man in the White House, and your Constitution makes it impossible for anything to be done because the people in Congress are gutless. They're cowards.

FOLEY: Time, Senator.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: You may continue, Senator Chambers.

CHAMBERS: Thank you. The one whom I can point to and say I have unbounding, unbounded respect for is Speaker Pelosi. I'm shocked that more people don't speak in behalf of Speaker Pelosi. Do you realize that aside from Eve, whose mother was Adam, Adam was the first mother. God performed a caesarian section. And I know when it comes to these medical procedures, surgical procedures, you cut through the wall, the abdominal wall and the wall of the uterus, but in those days everything was different. Not as complicated. But God performed an incision in Adam's side and extracted Eve. So other than the first woman, who according to the yarn, was on the earth, everybody else was born of a woman. Hitler, Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King, Mahatma Gandhi, George Washington, John Gotti, all of them. And when I was a little boy, they had a program that would come on every Sunday night and I was fascinated 'cause they would say the same thing over and over. Hail Mary, mother of God. Pray for sinners now and at the hour of our death, amen. And then there was a response, call out in response. Now if Mary is the mother of God, that elevates a woman to the highest standard that can be met. So it would seem to me that woman using the term collectively, or women, would be respected and honored. That's why it doesn't diminish me to talk about my boundless respect for Speaker Pelosi. She is an example for everybody. She is strong. She is intelligent. She is unbending. She is unyielding. She

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is unapologetic. And for those of you all who say, well, she's probably for abortion, she had seven children. I don't know how many grandchildren she had. But you all think in cliches and you speak in slogans and you miss the big picture. Instead of having a slogan in the school saying In God we Trust, that's not what Jesus said. Jesus never said put a banner up there. You know what Jesus told these people who put up banners? No, you got it wrong, buddy. Let your light so shine before men that they might see your good works, not read your slogans, that they might see your good works and worship your father who is in heaven. Now, that's what Jesus allegedly said. And Jesus could have created a slogan. But the sloganeers think that by pushing the slogan it's a substitute for the good work they ought to do that they don't do. I read your book, meaning the "Bibble." There are good things in it, and you all who profess to believe it should follow those things, but you don't. You want to use them to be judgmental.

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: To be holier than thou, to be on what might be called crotch watch. That's what your President is on when he's kicking these transgender people out of the military. Other people in the military are not objecting. All they want to know is if somebody going to blow me away, will you blow that person away first. Then it doesn't depend on whether you have a slit between your legs or a dangling modifier, and let that foul-minded person that the Governor talks to on Lincoln radio, the Attorney General talks to, and all of these "Repelicans" talk to, let him broadcast what I said. But I'm saying it in front of everybody so they know it came out of my mouth and I'll say what I've got to say anywhere and I want the people it's addressed to to be present and hear it.

FOLEY: Time, Senator.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Senator Chambers, you're recognized again. This is your third opportunity at this level.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. That is what in dramatic circles is known as a pregnant pause. And I think the word pregnant is appropriate based on some of the things that I've said. You all ought to stop those prayers, but you won't. They are full of lies. You ought to get rid of that pledge. I specified the lies in that so-called pledge. You don't believe that even. There's a bill coming through here to try to help make some parts of that pledge reality in Nebraska. You cannot discriminate against people due to their sexual orientation, whether they be lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or what they self-describe as queer. They're all human beings. What difference does it make to you who they go to bed with? You mad 'cause they won't go to bed with you? And if you don't want to go to bed with them, mind your own business. As a matter of

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fact, I do read that "Bibble." And as I said, there are some good things in it. I just happen to have this that I brought with me. From the word of God, as you all say. It was written by Paul whom you all call the Apostle, but I call the imposter. You will not find anybody who is more self-centered, arrogant, than Paul, the so-called Apostle. But he was right on this. Listen to-- and this is about the Christians. This comes from the book of Colossians, not galoshes. I want it clear. You may not have heard of Colossians, so you'll try to make it apply to a word that you're familiar with, and that might be galoshes. This is Colossians. Oh, chapter 5, verse 13, from my legal training. They learned to be idle, wandering about from house to house and not only idle, but tattlers also, and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not. Worried about what people are doing in their bedroom. Get your eye away from the bed, the keyhole. Get your ear off other people's bedroom wall. Mind your own business. And you're not doing that good a job of that. But if you do want to meddle, meddle with what that lunatic in the White House is doing and show concern for these Nebraskans who are suffering. You don't care about that. You more concerned about putting a banner up in the school room where it says, In God we Trust. And there might be little children in that classroom whose parents may not be able to pay the rent, cannot make a payment on a loan, cannot make a payment on a car. You say, but they need to be taught about God. You teach about God by the way you conduct yourself. I don't claim to be religious. I don't have a religious corpuscle in my body. I'm not superstitious. I don't believe in the supernatural. I believe in algebra. Whenever they ask me for faith when there's no reason when you're running for office for them to ask what your faith is, but my faith is in algebra.

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: Algebra doesn't come and go. It doesn't change. It doesn't matter which party is in office, as is the case with religion. And as I say, they didn't torture people during the Catholic inquisition for being mathematicians because math deals with facts, reality, quantifiable matters, but religion is a matter of opinion, and people by exerting enough pressure on you can make you say whatever they want you to say. That was demonstrated by these people who voted to say, make it public for whom you might vote to be chair of a committee. It's to exert that pressure. Some of us it won't work on. And back to what I started talking about, it won't work on Speaker Pelosi. She is strong.

FOLEY: That's time, Senator.

CHAMBERS: You said time?

FOLEY: Yes, sir.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

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FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Members, you've heard the debate on the committee amendment. Those in favor-- I'm sorry. Senator Williams, you're recognized to close on the committee amendment. Senator Williams. Senator Williams, you're recognized to close on the committee amendment. He waives closing. The question for the body is the adoption of AM9 committee amendment. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 40 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of committee amendments.

FOLEY: AM9 is adopted. Debate is now open on LB49 as amended. Senator Chambers.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President, and members of the Legislature. The month that is set aside to honor women is March. And I look for things in words, letters, 26 letters in the alphabet, yet every book written in English would derive from those 26 letters. People are very creative when it comes to using what is available to express themselves. Something is artificial if it's produced by human beings. That's what art is, that which is produced by human beings. Sculptors use a chisel, a hammer or a mallet, and marble, or some other hard substance. Poets do not have marble. They have to do their sculpting with words. Painters with their paints, with their inks, with their crayon pencils. People who like drama, words, actions, inflections. Music needs no commentary. So when I see words, I often will rearrange the letters. I already did it with Santa to show that that word really is Satan. So why would the month of March be chosen to honor women? If you rearrange the letters, the word as produced is charm. And charm is a word we usually, without intending, to be degrading or derogatory. We will attach to women who have certain traits, qualities, and so forth, that are admirable. So that's why March is the month that is set aside to honor women. Sometimes human beings do things that turn out right even though they didn't realize it was going to turn out right. Just like when Alfred Nobel dropped some nitroglycerin and waited for it to explode and it didn't. It had fallen into a wastebasket that had sawdust in it and that showed him right away that if you could contain nitroglycerin properly, then you'd be able to transport it without exploding. It's very volatile. If you shake it too much, you may not be around for too long. A lot of things are discovered by accident. Do you know how penicillin was discovered? Legislators have always been moochers and spongers, captain lunch hunter, lieutenant hungry, always on the mooch. Give me, give me. Well, one of them-- they wear suits. I don't. They got a pocket up here. I think the pocket is on the left side usually. Well, this senator had run from the feeding trough of the lobbyists and didn't have time to put a piece of bread that he had in his hand, couldn't drop, he didn't want to drop it on the floor, so he put it in his pocket and forgot about it. When time came to have his suit cleaned, the cleaner was a guy who had been going to MIT or one of those schools, and he detected something because there was a mold growing. And something clicked with him. I'm going to examine that just to see what's going on.

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FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: And that's how penicillin was discovered. A lunch hunting senator put a piece of moist bread in his coat pocket. It turned to mold and from that somebody discovered penicillin. Senators do some good things by accident. I'll have to put on my light and I'm just about through with what I'm going to say this morning.

FOLEY: Senator Chambers, you're recognized a second time.

CHAMBERS: In recognition of Nancy Pelosi and other strong women, I'm focusing on her rather than reaching into history because she's alive now and you have a living specimen you can observe. Aristotle wanted you to observe whatever you're dealing with and then draw conclusions, make generalizations from what you actually observe. That's why he was the one who laid out the development from a fertilized egg through the zygote, the embryo, the fetus. He did that through observation. But he was so stiff-necked that he thought men had more teeth than women and all he would have had to do was ask Mrs. Aristotle, if he was married, or whoever his girlfriend was, will you open your mouth and let me count your teeth? He never thought to do that. Women are just throw away. What am I getting to? White men fear strong women. White men are terrified of strong women. And if a woman is strong, they try to attach terms to her that will make her become a shrinking violet. They'll say you're managed. No, men are cowardly. They're not managed. And those terms you all-- women are familiar with them. Think of all the degrading terms they have for a woman, a whore, a slut, a bitch, a courtesan, a tramp. Do you have an equivalent word for men? No. Because men are the ones who do the labeling. And they're terrified of women. There was a woman who didn't like "Slush Slimebaugh," I mean, Rush Limbaugh. I'm going to have to hand out a poem I wrote about him and it was so devastating the World Herald editorialized against me for having written it. This Limbaugh who made fun of everybody. He compared young Hillary Clinton-- not Hillary, but her daughter. I can't even think of her name now. But when she was at the bottom aired level of being a teenager, maybe 13, he compared her to an Airedale dog on the air. So this one woman, she was active in the women's struggle and she wore pants. And he said some various negative things about her and he with that pig-like snort of his, [SNORTING] she looks almost like a man. And she contacted him and said, so do you, so do you. He never said anything negative about her again. That's how they whip you all. They condition you. They train you. They make you think that certain things are not for you to deal with. And they're in the areas where if you get into that, you will do a lot toward governing, controlling, or influencing where this society is going. Girls shouldn't take math. They shouldn't study science. They should take home economics and secretarial courses 'cause all you're going to do is get a job or get married and have babies anyway. That's what they do to you and yet their mother was a woman. The mother of God was a woman. What does that tell you all? What kind of society is this? You all are supposed to be highly educated.

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FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: You're supposed to be intelligent. I'm supposed to be inferior genetically. Yet I observe you and I don't want to be like you. I'm beyond that already. I'd have to lower myself to be like you. Walk on you when you're down and you can't defend yourself. Join others in ganging up on somebody who couldn't defend himself or herself against one person, and get pleasure out of inflicting not only pain and suffering, but death on those people. That's what your people, your kind did to my kind. And you are not kind when you did it. And I'm going to start presenting information from white sources 'cause you'll accept what your brothers and sisters said about you, describing what was done to us gleefully. Little children were taken to these lynchings. Wives.

FOLEY: Time, Senator.

CHAMBERS: Thank you.

FOLEY: Senator Chambers, you're recognized. This is your third opportunity.

CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. And throughout the session, I'm going to be talking about the same thing. I've only got two more years down here. That's not nearly enough time to say what I have to say. If all the books that are written in English use only 26 letters for writing, imagine how long it would take me to say everything that needs to be said. But I'll do the best that I can. Instead of lamenting what I cannot do because of the limitations of time, I'll make the most of the time that exists. Instead of wasting time, I'll spend time. You would like to call it wasting time because you don't want to hear it. Then go read it, but you're not going to read it and you're not going to hear it in the school books. You all have prettified, whitened up American history just like the Nazis would do with what they did if they could. But they don't have to because there are people in this country such as your President who are still Nazi sympathizers. What happened with the Charlottesville, wherever it was, where that Nazi drove the car through those people, and then his defense was that he was in fear and he came from all the way across the country to do what he did. But he was convicted, and Trump alibied for him. When these white boys, young white adults were surrounding this Native American holy man, they can say what they want to, they can try to prettify it however they want to, as soon as he found out they had red hats that said, Make America Great Again, they were his kind of little Nazis, he started alibiing. And when these white people come to the aid of these wrongdoing white guys, they teach them that lying is what you ought to do and we will help you in your lie. We will support you. We will back you. We'll take it a step further and then they learn that lying is what ought to be done. Then when they turn it on those who taught them to lie, they get upset. You all teach them to have and love these guns, then they turn them on white people. The mass

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killers, black people should be the one doing the mass killing. You all were not lynched. You all were not in a wholesale manner of raped, sold. Mothers separated from children now, slaveholders made babies on black women and sold those children on purpose. De Tocqueville was going through this country and he talked about how great everything was in America and he had gone through this plantation and he saw all these little children and the only difference in their appearance was that some were dark and some were what they call white, which let him know they all had the same father, but different mothers. These are white Christians, the fathers of your country and the fathers of all these little children that they would sell like a cow, pig or a chicken. And I'm supposed to say that I feel the same welling up in me that you do when you hear God bless America, in God we trust, I pledge allegiance to the flag? Humbug. You think I'm crazy because you are. But there are people among every group who are going to try to do the right thing. There were Germans who were not Nazis. People don't realize it, but there were members of the SS, the Schutzstaffel, the Waffen-SS, who tried to help rescue Jews because they felt that was not what they were in the military to do, kill civilians, murder women and children. Members of the SS, but in general, the SS was bad.

FOLEY: One minute.

CHAMBERS: Your former president, Ronald Reagan, went to Bitburg, the cemetery where Waffen-SS people were buried and I spoke against it on the floor of the Legislature. Joined others in saying that he ought not make that visit. He made the visit anyway. When Ronald Reagan announced his run for President, he did it in Money, Mississippi, where three young civil rights workers, James Chaney, Andrew Goodman, Michael Schwerner, were murdered and buried in an earthen dam. And that's where Ronald Reagan chose to announce his run for the presidency and where you all think he's a great guy, I see him as a hollow man. Not even a man. I'm through for today. Thank you, Mr. President. And as a guy used to sign off, I think it was Merrill Workhoven, my time is up. Thank you for yours.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Stinner, you're recognized to close on LB49.

STINNER: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, LB49, along with AM9, provides the opportunity for CPA firms to adopt an ESOP plan in their ownership structure. I would ask that you vote green on this bill. Thank you.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Stinner. Members, you've heard the debate on LB49. The question for the body is the advance of the bill. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 43 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

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FOLEY: LB49 advances. Speaker Scheer, you're recognized.

SCHEER: Thank you, Mr. President. Colleagues, Friday morning, so I will give you a little update. As this morning, we are now on General File for debate. We will continue to go in worksheet order starting on Monday. So we will continue to deliberate on those bills and I will say with the caveat there, normally in worksheet order one of the bills will be in front of another one simply because they're going to be out of town, and checked with the chairman and that was not a problem and we're sort of rearranging those bills. So, there will be one exception to that rule Monday or Tuesday, whenever we may get to that bill. It will be swapped. But essentially, we will continue on with deliberation. There are no bills of what I would consider highly controversial that have been brought out of committees yet that would give me pause to let everybody know that it will be on the agenda. For those of you that are not aware, or here for the first time, or those that have forgotten, bills that I feel will be of some consequence as far as controversial, I always try to let everyone know the Friday before the week they will be on so that everybody has ample opportunity to prepare either support or oppose a bill so that there is no advantage gained on either side. Everybody knows what's coming up the following week. That's not the case this week. There is nothing that I can see on General File right now that would cause me to bring those up individually. So have a great weekend, be safe, and we will see you Monday. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Items for the record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Retirement Systems reports LB33 to General File with committee amendments. Notice of committee hearings from the Retirement Systems Committee; Urban Affairs Committee; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee; and the Transportation Committee. Amendment to be printed to LB110 from Senator Wishart. New resolution, LR16 by Senator Hunt and others, urges the President and members of Congress to reopen the federal government. Accompanying that resolution is a communication from the Speaker referring LR16 to the Reference Committee to be referred to an appropriate standing committee for public hearing. Communication from the Executive Board regarding the appointment of special committee members. Announcements. Performance Audit will meet under the south balcony upon adjournment, that's Performance Audit under the south balcony. In addition, the Planning Committee will meet in Room 2022 upon adjournment. Series of name adds: Senator Slama to LB7, Senator Cavanaugh to LB13, Senator McDonnell to LB39 and LB40, Senator Briese to LB77, Senator McDonnell to LB85, Senator Slama to LB154, Senator Pansing Brooks to LB314, Senator Dorn to LB594, Senator McDonnell to LB634, Senator Hunt to LB711, Senator Briese to LB734, Senator Lowe and Slama to LR1CA, and Senator Brewer withdraws his name from LB573.

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Priority motion: Senator Hughes would move to adjourn until Monday, January 28, at 9:00 a.m.

FOLEY: Members, you heard the motion to adjourn until Monday. Those in favor say aye. Those opposed say nay. We are adjourned.