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LB 145

advanced to General File. There are no amendments pending.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. LB 145 was introduced at the request of the City of Lincoln. It received no opposition from the press or the media. It was a bill that was also voted on in a manner by the City of Lincoln last November, when there was a charter revision that struck the clause requiring publication of claims against the city in a similar fashion that this bill would do. So this is merely keeping in compliance, in my belief, with the wishes of the citizens of Lincoln, and with the City of Lincoln, and as I said, there is no opposition from the press where...and this is not, this is limited to claims, we're not talking about publication of agenda or any other items associated with the budget or other matters of public concern. This is just with the claims. So I think it's a simple bill and I think it will help the City of Lincoln. I move the advancement to E & R for Initial.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the advancement of the bill. The Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Wesely, may I ask you a question?

SENATOR WESELY: Yes.

SENATOR NICHOL: In the deliberations of the committee, was it considered whether this should apply to cities of other classes?

SENATOR WESELY: That question was brought up by members of the committee, and I...this bill was introduced for Lincoln. I think it might be needed for other cities, but I decided that I really wanted to limit it to Lincoln. That's where I was most familiar with the situation.

SENATOR NICHOL: I have no objection to your bill at all. Would you object if we look into it and perhaps on Select include cities of other classes also?

SENATOR WESELY: Well, Senator Nichol, you have the experience and I think that if you find that this would help the other cities of the state, then I would be glad to...

SENATOR NICHOL: I wouldn't want it to hurt your bill, and I don't think it would, but I wanted to alert you to this, and we'll look into it between now and Select File if it's okay.