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LB 15

SENATOR NICHOL: The amendments are important and one is that it adds the University of Nebraska to the bill as well as the professors of the four state colleges and the other is that the emergency clause will be added. I move for the adoption of the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: Is there any discussion on the committee amendments on LB 15? Seeing none, Senator Nichol, will that conclude the closing remarks as well as your opening remarks? The question then is the adoption of the committee amendments on LB 15. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the committee amendments on LB 15. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? We are voting on the committee amendments on LB 15. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this LB 15 is a very simple bill. It increases the mandatory age for retirement of employees and teachers at state colleges and universities from the present 65 years of age to 70 years of age. These people would have the option of retirement at 65. The tenured faculty professor certainly is a great asset to any school. The State of Nebraska has invested time and money in this person over the years. Certainly in the great majority of instances an additional five years of benefits can be derived from these people at their college or university. Because a person reaches the age of 65, it does not mean that that person is unable to perform their duties. Also under recent amendments passed in the Congress, the federal Age Discrimination Employment Act will require a change in mandatory retirement ages from 65 to 70 years of age. This bill would allow an individual the choice of retirement at 65 or working until they reach the age of 70. I move that LB 15 be advanced to E & R Initial.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on the motion to advance LB 15 to E & R Initial. Seeing none, the question before the House is the advancement of LB 15 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted?

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, I think there are some people headed for their desks.