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and not voting and 1 present and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The bill is declared passed with the emergency clause attached. Before we proceed, I would like to introduce first of all in the South balcony from Senator Kahle's District 32 third through sixth grade students, one teacher, two parents, from Guide Rock, Nebraska Elementary School. Are you up there? Hold up your hands so we can say "hello" to you. And from Senator Warner's District in the same balcony 30 third and fourth grade students from Murdock School, Dorothy Rikli is the teacher, and they are also in the South balcony. Where are you located? Those of you who are close to the fence up there please be careful and don't lean on it so that you might go the other way. Thank you. The Chair recognizes Senator...do you want to read the motion?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Fowler moves to suspend Rule 6, Sec. 7c so as to read LB 141 on Final Reading today.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is a bill of Senator Koch's that I think as was explained earlier has been on Final Reading for three days and it has not been read because there has been a motion pending to bring it back to Select File for specific amendment. I know nothing of the merits of this specific amendment but it is my understanding that the proponent of that amendment has not been here for the three days that it has been pending. I believe that that is an ample opportunity for that individual to either explain the amendment, or if there is someone else in this body who would wish to present that amendment, I think perhaps that they could have that opportunity now to indicate that they would. I do believe at this date in the Legislature Senator Koch does deserve the courtesy of having his bill read. I no way wish to imply that this is a delaying tactic but I believe Senator Koch made the point earlier that this could be used as a delaying tactic. Generally on all other stages it has been our custom that if someone is not here for an amendment that it is passed over, and in this case, I think there has been plenty of opportunity on Final Reading. As I said, I know nothing of the merits of the amendment and I don't want this interpreted as taking any side on that issue but just as a courtesy to Senator Koch I would make this motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: I am getting my list ready. Senator Chambers.