

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion is carried. The amendment is adopted. Now, do you want to readvance the bill? Okay, all those in favor of readvancing 535 to E & R for Engrossment say aye. Opposed no. The motion is carried. The bill is readvanced. The next motion.

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, Senator Murphy moves to return LB 535 to Select File for a specific amendment, and the amendments are referred to on page 1504. You will find them in your bill books. They are printed separately. They are request #2055 and that is offered by Senator Murphy.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I think recent renditions that have appeared in our Journal and the efforts and strains that we are going through, the joy of filling out a senseless form that we have all recently enjoyed and which, thankfully, I will not be put through again, should auger well for my motion. If you will look in front of the bill in the book, you will find a bill that this body passed at the same time the Political Accountability Act was passed. Both bills were sent to the Governor and the Governor elected to go with this political accountability version rather than the other bill. Now, I don't believe that the Accountability Commission has accomplished a blessed thing. It has driven a great many people out of public service, particularly those on commissions and the like who serve for no compensation. This bill provided that there would be...each candidate or his committee would establish a bank account, and into that bank account would go all contributions in excess of \$50, being enumerated specifically on the deposit slip, that all expenditures made would be enumerated and recorded, that the bank would forward at the completion of the campaign a copy to the Commission set forth in this bill constituted mostly by the Auditor, the Secretary of State, Secretary of the Treasury and the Governor. It provides for quarterly follow-up reports of any activity. Any candidate who expends less than \$1000 is not subject to the provisions of the act, but he must submit a report. But the very simplicity...the very simplicity of this procedure, and the records would be kept for three years, but the very simplicity of this procedure makes it seem almost not worthwhile. We don't have to fill out forms annually in multiple questions that prove nothing, that go nowhere, but it does give an accounting of financial responsibilities with regard to the candidate's campaign. Now it is just painfully simple and why this Legislature, particularly you people who will remain here, want to continue to go through the charade that