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LB 757

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Koch, will you check in please?
All right, they are all here. We are authorizing call ins
on ceasing debate on the indefinite postponement of 757.
Does anyone wish to vote?

CLERK: Senator Marsh voting yes. Senator Stoney voting no.
Senator Vickers voting no. Senator Sieck voting yes.
Senator Duda voting yes. Senator Warner and Kremer voting
no.

SENATOR CLARK: Any further votes?

CLERK: Senator Lowell Johnson voting yes. Senator Newell
voting no. Senator Cope and Koch voting no. Senator
Chambers voting no. Senator Schmit voting no.

SENATOR CLARK: The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 20 ayes, 17 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate has not ceased. Senator Dworak is
next. The Call is raised.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President and colleagues, I think this
is a pretty significant piece of legislation to move across
this floor with only three people talking on it. This
reserve is vitally important to the State of Nebraska because
the state cannot borrow money and the state cannot carry a
surplus, and because of that, we need some cushion as has
been very adequately explained by Senator Beutler. Now
we had another Governor prior to this Governor that wanted
to do the same thing, that was Governor Exon, and I opposed
him as I will oppose Governor Thone in cutting the reserve.
You know we get into these crazy situations in the state if
we don't have adequate cash flow where we are paying our
bills late and that is really tacky for the State of
Nebraska, and the next thing we will be doing is sending
checks out unsigned so that we gain three or four more
days of cash flow, all kinds of little tricks we are going
to have to be forced to do to keep the books balanced.
Lo and behold, we may even come up with an idea of with-
holding tax refunds or delaying them to make the cash flow
situation work out. I can't believe anybody conceiving of
keeping people's money away from them but it is that kind
of a possibility that we could get into if we diminish
these cash flow balances. We might even come up with an
idea of borrowing from cash funds just to keep the books
balanced which...and all these things are negative. All
of these things do not speak well of the State of Nebraska.
It'd speak poorly of any business trying to operate that
way and it speaks poorly of the State of Nebraska trying to