

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Loran Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, Mr. Lawrence Myers is a new appointee to the Power Review Board. The board heard his explanation of his experience and his background. He has been appointed to fill the accountant's position on the board and the committee voted unanimously that he be recommended for approval by the full Legislature and I so move.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? Seeing none, those in favor of the motion offered by the Standing Committee Chair, Senator Schmit, on the appointment found on page 370 of the Journal please vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the confirmation report. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the confirmation report as offered by the Natural Resources Committee.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The report is adopted. Item 6 on the agenda, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Withem, Nelson, Hartnett, Chizek, Bernard-Stevens, Lamb, and Korshoj would move to suspend Rule 7, Section 3a, Rule 6, Section 2, and Rule 3, Sections 3e, 13 and 19 and place LB 275 on General File. The motion was filed on January 18. It is found on page 293 of the Journal, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem, please.

SENATOR WITHEM: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, first of all, I appreciate the other legislators who signed on to this motion very much their support. It is something I am very serious about. It is also something that I think members of the body ought to be taking fairly seriously. This is an abnormal, unusual type of motion to be filed, I will admit. The first thing I would like to state is that it should not be construed as being anti-Appropriations Committee, antiappropriations process. The process that we have for dealing with appropriations really does not fit the goal of LB 275. Let me tell you what LB 275 is. It is a very simple bill but one that if we support this bill will place us on record as a Legislature of supporting the concept of relieving property taxes. Property