

call of the house is raised. Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Senator Landis. Some of the questions raised are interesting. First of all, this is a very permissive bill. The County Board of Trustees for county hospitals at 3,600 inhabitants or more has been set at a maximum of \$100 per year since 1945. County hospitals are having a very difficult time trying to recruit members for their boards. The maximum that we can...the maximum number of people on a board are three to five members by statute, no more than five. The county boards have the option to set this salary at an amount that is commensurate or necessary in order to procure members for these county hospital boards. I think it's only fair that we allow this permissive setting of salaries for these county boards to be allowed and I would ask your vote to advance this to Select File, and if further questions can be answered at that time or clarifications could be made, I would like very much to work with Senator Smith or Senator Nelson or Senator Pirsch or whoever has questions about it. I would ask for the advance of the bill.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Elmer. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. The Clerk will record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay on the advancement of the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR LANDIS: The bill is advanced. We'll move on to LB 324, principal introducer Jerry Conway. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 324 was introduced by Senator Chizek. (Title read.) The bill was read on January 11, referred to the Government Committee. They report the bill to General File.

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Conway, opening on LB 324.

SENATOR CONWAY: Mr. Speaker, members, this is a very simple bill. It was brought to me by the county treasurers in recognition of some of the fees that they collect, that the forms themselves are actually costing more now than what the fee is they are allowed to attach to that particular item. There are three in question. The first two, they are currently under law allowed to charge 50 cents. One form is the issuance of distress warrants, the other one is deeds or certificates issued