

January 9, 1990

LB 601, 730

advanced to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays on the vote to advance, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion prevails. The bill is advanced. Proceeding to LB 730, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: LB 730 was introduced by Senator Warner. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 19 of last year. It was referred to the Natural Resources Committee. That committee reports the bill back to General File with committee amendments, Mr. President. (See page 832 of the Legislative Journal, First Session.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: To the committee amendments, is anyone prepared to handle the committee amendments to LB 730? Senator Lamb, in Senator Schmit's absence, is it possible for you to handle those amendments?

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President, and members, this is a bill which provides for an increase in salaries for public power district directors. The original bill would increase the compensation for the large power districts, \$40 million or more, from 6,900 to 9,600, and president from 7,200 to 10,800. The committee amendment would permit an increase in compensation from 500 to 800 dollars per month for board members and from six to nine hundred dollars per month for the chairperson of a metropolitan water or utilities district, and would permit an increase in compensation from 3,600 to 4,800 dollars per year for board members, and from 4,200 to 4,500 dollars per year for the president of boards of directors of districts with gross revenues of less than \$40 million. So the committee amendment also grants increases for smaller power districts. I move the adoption of the committee amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Senator Lamb. Any discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Warner. Senator Schellpeper, on the amendments? Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President, just a question, if Senator Lamb would respond, please.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lamb, would you respond.