

Commission. The report is on page 459 of the Journal.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lamb, would you handle this matter, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. President, members. The Natural Resources Committee did meet in regard to the appointment of Mr. Eatmon to the Oil and Gas Commission. This is a reappointment. The committee desires to report favorably on this reappointment and suggests that the reappointment be confirmed by the Legislature.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any questions? Any discussion? If not, those in favor of the motion to confirm vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the confirmator. report.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The motion is adopted. To General File, Mr. Clerk, LB 769.

CLERK: Mr. President, 769, when the Legislature left the bill yesterday I believe we were about to begin consideration of Senator Bernard-Stevens amendment. Mr. President, I do have a priority motion. That priority motion is a bracket to March 20. It's offered by Senator Wesely.

SPEAKER BARRETT: (Gavel.) The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. I offer the bracket motion as an attempt to recognize a problem I have with the situation regarding LB 769. We've now spent, I believe, seven days last year, this will be our third day this year and very limited to the amount of time that we have to deal with the issues we must face. It concerns me greatly that we're taking this amount of time on a bill that is yet to even be voted on on General File. In addition, the context in which this issue is being considered must be understood as well, that the courts have ruled against a parental notification bill this Legislature passed some years ago, it's still on the books. That issue and this issue itself is pending before the United States Supreme Court. The whole area of parental notification and the issue of abortion is now being considered by the highest court in the land, and they shall have some ruling in the next few months.