

SENATOR HANNIBAL: You have heard the motion. Shall LB 980 be advanced? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance 980, Mr. President.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: LB 980 is advanced. Mr. Clerk, anything for the record?

CLERK: Not at this time, Mr. President.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Moving on to General File, LB 164.

CLERK: Mr. President, 164 was introduced by Senators Ashford, Landis, Conway and Chizek. (Title read.) The bill was introduced on January 5 last year, Mr. President. At that time it was referred to the Government Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. First order of business, Mr. President, are committee amendments by the Government Committee.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: The Chair of the Government Committee, Senator Baack, please.

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, Mr. Chairman and colleagues, LB 164 was introduced and was heard in committee. The bill, as it was originally introduced, was not...didn't even have a hearing, in fact, because Senator Ashford requested that instead of having a hearing on the Historic Preservation Act that instead we would have a hearing on the Joslyn Castle and that's what we did have. We had a hearing on that and what the committee amendment does is it replaces the entire bill and the committee amendment says that the state will try to make sure that Joslyn Castle is preserved in perpetuity and to do that the committee amendment says that it would become part of the state park system and would be taken over by the Game and Parks. So that is what the committee amendment is. I would urge adoption of this amendment because Senator Ashford is going to be coming with another amendment in just a few minutes and we need this committee amendment because his amendment is actually an amendment to this amendment. So with that, I would urge the adoption of the committee amendments so Senator Ashford's amendment makes sense. Thank you.