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emergencies, there could only be 15 people called in, it could only last for 15 days. This has caused some problems in the National Guard in emergency situations. Instead of having that in statute it would say that the Adjutant General would have the discretion to call up as many as were needed for the emergency and allow them to stay on duty as long as was necessary. Another provision in the bill that it changes is right now it says that they can be called in for advice and counsel. and counsel usually consists of ceremonial things in nature, such as funerals, carrying of the colors, these kind of things. Under the present...under present statute it says that they have to be put into a pay classification and should be paid for these duties. What happens is that most of the people that do these duties for the National Guard are already in a for-pay status through their status as regular employees of the National Guard. This would allow the Adjutant General to not have to pay them for these ceremonial duties that he asked them to do. that's basically what the bill does. If there are any questions, I'd be glad to answer them, if not, I would just urge the advancement of the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? If not, the question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The bill advances. LB 970. I might say that someone has offered to buy you pizza, so I think we'll stick with this consent calendar until we're through, please. LB 970.

ASSISTANT CLERK: LB 970 was introduced by Senator Schimek. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 4th of this year, was referred to the Government Committee, which reports the bill to General File, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schimek, please.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Mr. President, members of the body, this bill simply authorizes the Department of Correctional Services to convey some land to Lancaster County for a road widening project at Old Cheney and South Folsom Street. The bill provides that Lancaster County shall compensate the department for removal of trees and fence, and then that compensation is used to replace