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Mr. President, I have a series of amendments to be printed. Senator Peterson has amendments to LB 1064, Senator Lamb to LB 980. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 821-22 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you. May I introduce some guests, please, of Speaker Barrett. Under the south balcony is Larry Langer of Kearney and Chuck Lindsay of Holdrege. Will you gentlemen please stand and be recognized? Thank you for visiting us today. Move on to LB 313.

CLERK: Mr. President, 313 was a bill originally introduced by Senator McFarland. (Read title.) The bill was discussed yesterday by the Legislature, Mr. President. Committee amendments were offered by the Business and Labor Committee, Chaired by Senator Coordsen. There was amendments to those offered by Senators McFarland and Hall. Both of those failed. Senator McFarland moved to reconsider the vote on the Hall amendment. That motion is now pending, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator McFarland, please.

SENATOR McFARLAND: Thank you, Mr. President. If permissible, I would like to withdraw the motion to reconsider and take up an amendment that I have submitted and is being passed around and should be received by all the senators and take that up at this time.

PRESIDENT: You wanted to substitute the present one for the one that you had before?

SENATOR McFARLAND: Yes.

PRESIDENT. All right. Any objection? If not, proceed. (McFarland substitute amendment appears on page 822 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR McFARLAND: Can I proceed? Thank you, Mr. President. Fellow senators, you may look at the materials that are being distributed to you and this is a committee amendment. You may recall yesterday that I had proposed an amendment which would have increased our unemployment, or excuse me, our workers' compensation maximum weekly benefit to \$275 per week. This would have put us at the very bottom of the states in the Midlands, including our surrounding states. It would have put