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Senator Morrissey. Yes, would you like to put some things in the record, please.

CLERK: If I can, Mr. President, very quickly. Thank you. I have a Reference Report referring certain gubernatorial appointments to the appropriate Standing Committee.

Notice of hearing from Natural Resources Committee. Senator Moore has amendments to LB 1009A to be printed; Senator Baack to LB 1090. (See pages 893-94 of the Legislative Journal.)

A Confirmation Hearing Report from Natural Resources. Natural Resources reports LB 1099 to General File. Signed by Senator Schmit. Education reports LB 1226 as indefinitely postponed. Signed by Senator Withem. Judiciary reports LB 1018 to General File with amendments; LB 1174, General File with amendments. (See pages 895-96 of the Legislative Journal.)

And the last item, Mr. President, a resolution, LR 258 by Senator McFarland. (Read a brief description of LR 258. See pages 896-98 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over, Mr. President. That's all that I have at this time.

PRESIDENT: Now we're back on the advancement of the bill. Senator Morrissey first, please, followed by Senator McFarland.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, I must admit I'm perplexed and a lot of you are probably going, so what else is new, Morrissey? But I have always been in favor of things like this, the seven-day waiting period. It doesn't seem like it's really that onerous. Back in '74, I went to Hamburg, and had to buy...wanted to buy a rifle, had to wait, Iowa because I was an out-of-stater, seven days. I went back seven days later and bought it. No problem. And it seems pretty simple, but, of course, lately this drive to and from work is working on me. All the way up...all the way home last night and all the way up this morning I was kind of tearing this apart. And one of my concerns, as I have stated on this floor, has been a sort of a constant or slow chipping away of constitutional rights of our citizens in the state and the nation. I thought, well, this kind of comes under that same subtitle. We've got government reaching clear into our lives and deciding if we're good enough citizens to do certain things, and that kind of And this is the argument that a lot of people are bothers me. using, that we should guarantee a citizen's right to keep and