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that in future years if we do not enact something of this nature, we are going to be suffering the consequences of a lot of embarrassment when athletes at UN-O or at Creighton or at Nebraska or anywhere else suddenly lose their eligibility because we have not addressed the problem and tried to regulate and restrict sports agents within the State of Nebraska. And it may not happen next year, but in two, three, four, five years, if legislation like this is not enacted, we may be looking back on this day and saying, why didn't we vote this legislation in? We could have prevented a problem, prevented a great embarrassment and the loss of eligibility of an athlete or athlete eligibility to compete in sports. I appreciate the situation here. It was rather quick. I appreciate the fact that it came on rather quickly and I wasn't able to explain it as best I could. Had I known about this bill, LB 159, status ahead of eleven-thirty this morning, I would have made those kind of arrangements and notified you of what exactly I was going to do. I apologize if there was any misunderstanding and I appreciate the fact that at least I was given the opportunity to have it considered. And with that, I would just withdraw the motion to suspend, and I guess we can go on with whatever was intended with this bill anyway. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next motion I have with respect to LB 159 is a motion to indefinitely postpone. That is being offered by Senator Moore. Senator Conway, as the introducer, has the option to lay the bill over, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Take it up?

SENATOR CONWAY: I think we will lay the bill over, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Conway, did you say you wish to hold the bill over?

SENATOR CONWAY: Yes, sir.

PRESIDENT: Then it will be held over. Mr. Clerk, anything for the good of the cause? We will move on to LB 520.

CLERK: Mr. President, 520 is on Select File. I do have E & R amendments pending. First order of business are E & R