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indefinitely postponed. Those are signed by Senator Kristensen as Chair. (See page 564 of the Legislative Journal.)

Madam President, the next bill on General File is LB 36. It was a bill originally introduced by Senator Kristensen and Senator Robak. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10, referred to the Judiciary Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have Judiciary Committee amendments pending.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you. Senator Chizek, are you prepared to talk about the committee amendments?

SENATOR CHIZEK: Yes, Madam President. Colleagues, LB 36 concerns the disposition by a landlord of personal property that is abandoned by a tenant. Senator Kristensen will address the bill shortly. The committee amendments are very simple. They're found on page 438 of the Journal. And the amendments simply require that a landlord give notice within six months of the expiration of the lease or date of the abandonment, whichever is later, to the tenant and that would be sent at their last address. The committee added this amendment as a result of testimony at the hearing. The amendment prevents a landlord from simply delaying action unreasonably in order to run up storage fees. And I would ask the body to adopt the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chizek. Does anyone wish to debate the committee amendments? Seeing none, we will waive closing and we will proceed to vote on the committee amendment. All those in favor of adoption please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of the Judiciary Committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The motion is adopted and the committee amendments are adopted. We will proceed to Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President. The purpose of LB 36 is to enact disposition of personal property in the Landlord Tenant Act and it establishes guidelines and some new provisions then to our Uniform Landlord Tenant Act. As you know or may not know, Nebraska has a whole set of laws that deal with how a landlord and a tenant get along. There is a uniform law