

some guests to the Legislature. Many of you have had these people shadowing you this morning and this is all part of the Nebraska Vocational Education Week sponsored by the Nebraska Council on Vocational Education and they have had a number of the state officers from the Nebraska Vocational Student Organizations from across the state shadowing senators this morning. So on behalf of the Legislature, if you folks would please stand we'd like to welcome you to the Legislature. Thank you for being with us. We will now proceed to Item 7 on the agenda and senator priority bills for 1992 and LB 306.

CLERK: Mr. President, 306 was a bill introduced by Senators Beutler and Lindsay. (Read title.) The bill was introduced, Mr. President, on January 16 of last year. At that time it was referred to the Natural Resources Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending by the Natural Resources Committee.

SPEAKER BAACK: The Chair of the Natural Resources Committee, Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members, my comments relative to the committee amendments will be short. I would ask that the committee amendments not be adopted. We have been working on this bill or Senator Beutler and others have been working on this bill for a long time and I think we have struck at least a reasonable compromise this morning, but the committee amendments would only complicate those compromises, so we would ask, or I would ask the body not to accept the committee amendments, to reject them and we'll move on with Senator Beutler's other amendments that he has filed.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Rod Johnson. Discussion on the committee amendments. If not, we will vote on the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 24 ayes...or 0 ayes, 24 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER BAACK: The committee amendments are rejected. Senator Beutler, would you like to go directly to your amendments, or would you like to explain the bill first and then we'll work on amendments?