

April 9, 1992

LB 556, 1257A

Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 4 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 1257A.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. It is advanced. Next we will proceed to LB 556. Senator Baack, would you care to open on LB 556? Excuse me, Senator Baack, there are E & R amendments. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 556.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed say nay. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, the amendment I have to the bill now is by Senator Baack. Senator, your AM4076. (Baack amendment appears on page 2048 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Senator Baack.

SPEAKER BAACK: Yes, Mr. Chairman and colleagues, I don't know if you remember the debate on 556, on General File we had a considerable amount of debate on the bill. And Senator Ashford, at that time, added an amendment that called for contribution limitations. And Senator Ashford and I have come to an agreement on what we're going to do with those contribution limitations that would have...I think it would have jeopardized the bill, had we left it in its present form. But we came to an agreement on that, and that's what this amendment does. It does a number of other things also. We had the...the bill drafters office, and working with accountability, they said that we needed a number of other items in the bill to make it actually function well. And so the amendment that I'm offering to you, 4076 does a number of things, and I'll go through them. Most of the things are simply technical kinds of things. But I'll go through the things that are of any substance whatsoever. It says that a candidate must file this declaration of intent as to whether or not they are going to exceed the spending limitations. They must file that, not only with the...with the Secretary of State, they must also file it with the official that they file for the office. And their filing will not be accepted unless they file this limitation notice also. Whether they're going to abide by it or not abide by the spending