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LB 37, 490, 658, 752

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Pirsch would like to print amendments to LB 658; Senator Robak, amendment to LB 752. Enrollment and Review reports LB 490 to Select File with E & R amendments attached. And I have a notice of hearing from the Appropriations Committee. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 1457-62 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Pedersen has the next amendment, but I do have note he wishes to withdraw that amendment. Senator.

SPEAKER WITHEM: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment to the bill is by Senators Preister, Hall and Lindsay. (AM1083 appears on page 1220 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Preister.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Honorable President, friends all, I would like to start out in introducing this amendment by saying to Senator Coordsen and my colleagues that this is not my normal style of bringing something new at this late stage of debate. However, this issue didn't come to my attention until the Legislature was already well under way and, as I was able to gather information, it got to this point. So my intention is to not affect in a negative way Senator Coordsen's bill and I have brought this amendment to his attention prior to having it drafted and prior to its introduction. The reasons for the amendment I ask you to consider today are just that, they came at a late time and so I have it before you at a late time. But before you cast this amendment aside for procedural reasons, I ask your indulgence to listen to the justification behind it and judge for yourself on its merits. First of all, I feel that LB 37 is an appropriate vehicle for this legislation, both the bill and the amendment change provisions relating to evidence of insurance for the purposes of driving and licensing a car in the State of Nebraska. The bill, amendment and existing statute set a minimum requirement for driving in the State of Nebraska. For most people, it is the cost of insuring themselves and their automobiles against the risk of causing damage to other people and property in the minimum dollar amounts specified by law. Essentially, we are setting a price tag on the privilege to