

CLERK: LB 530, Senator, there are E & R amendments first of all.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Mr. President, I would move for the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 530.

SENATOR HALL: You've heard the motion. All in favor vote aye. Opposed. The E & R amendments are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President. the next amendment I have is by Senator Hall, AM1679. You'll find that amendment on page 1708 of the Legislative Journal, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM PRESIDING

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SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members. This is an amendment that is offered to LB 530. It deals with the issue, and if you open your Journals to page 1708 and 09 it does also run over into 1710. But the portion of the amendment that's substantive is found on page 1709. And it deals with the allocation of space in the Capitol. There has over the last number of years been a plan in place for the Legislature to establish individual offices for its members, and we started on that a number of years ago. And I know there are a number of folks who have served in the capacity that I presently do, chairing the Exec Board, that have dealt with this problem. And we've moved by leaps and bounds under their leadership and I have attempted to try to follow suit, but I've kind of run into a wall. And I bring this amendment because I believe it's necessary for purposes for the Legislature to achieve the amount and proper type of space that we need for our members. It merely takes and changes that for purposes of allocation of space in the Capitol that the legislative branch with regard to determining that space has first right of refusal. Now the argument has been made that there would be an attempt somehow to take over space that's currently occupied by one or any of the constitutional officers, and that is not the case. There is actually an amendment that I have that would clarify that. But what that would mean then is that the balance of the space that is available, and I'm particularly thinking of the space that exists on first floor, would be made available to the