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LB 514

Senator Vrtiska for introduction of the state claims bill. That will be laid over at this time. That's all that I have at this time. (See pages 791-794 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you. We'll move to Select File. LB 514.

CLERK: Madam President, 514. Senator Smith, the first item I have are Enrollment and Review amendments, Senator. (AM7047 is found on page 584 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Madam Speaker, I would move we adopt the E & R amendments to LB 514.

SENATOR CROSBY: You've heard the motion to adopt the E & R amendments to LB 514. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. They are adopted.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend the bill. (AM0302 is found on page 691 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to introduce your amendment. Senators, could you keep your conversations down just a little bit so we may hear the Clerk and the speaker.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I was under the balcony talking to Senator Bromm about not only this amendment but the issue that is to be addressed by it. I've talked to representatives of the Public Service Commission and the purpose of the amendment is to be sure that the people who receive the Lifeline assistance will not have to pay additional fees on their phone bill. This is the language that would be added to LB 514: "Any person receiving low-income support from the Nebraska Lifeline Service Program shall be exempt from the payment of any surcharge established by the commission pursuant to the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act." The people who would qualify for this assistance have to meet certain prerequisites in terms of their status. They would have to