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LR 27.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: LR 27 is adopted. LR 58.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 58, originally introduced by Senator Schrock, found on Journal page 1180. The resolution was referred to Natural Resources, advanced back to the Legislature. I have no amendments pending at this time, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Schrock, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, this resolution asks Congress to pass House Resolution 701 and Senate Bill 25 to establish the Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999, which is funded with a portion of the revenue received from oil and gas development in the Outer Continental Shelf for wildlife conservation and associated recreation activities, outdoor recreation facilities and parkland conservation benefits, conservation education and economic development. The Land and Water Conservation Fund was established in 1965, and up until five years ago, Nebraska had received \$36 million of matching funds and every county in Nebraska has benefited. Five years ago Congress denied critically...critical matching grants. Under the new Conservation and Reinvestment Act, those funds would now be available. I urge the body to adopt this resolution. It will benefit Nebraska and it will benefit the Land and Water Conservation Fund, which is controlled by the Natural Resource Commission.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the resolution. Senator Schrock, you're recognized to close. He waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of LR 58. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of LR 58.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: LR 58 is approved. We next move to the election of the General Affairs Committee Chair.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Coordsen would move to proceed to