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CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Committee amendments are adopted. Debate on the advancement of LB 1092? Senator Robak, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. Thanks for listening to this, my priority bill, LB 1092, to provide for a state meat inspection pilot program. I'll just give you some highlights what it does. It provides farmers with an opportunity to sell their meat directly to grocery stores, restaurants and customers. It provides small to medium size lockers with assistance in complying with federal food safety requirements. They will actually help the small size lockers with their labels and marketing and strategies; improve opportunities for niche marketing and brand identification for Nebraska farmers; provide nonconventional livestock producers with access to willing processors and new markets; and it will compete with surrounding states when federal legislation is passed to provide for interstate shipping of state inspected meat. And, with that, that's...I'll urge the body to advance to E & R Initial. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Robak. The question is the advancement of LB 1092 to E & R Initial. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 1092.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk, next bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 213 by Senator Schmitt. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 11, referred to the Agriculture Committee, advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM2068, Legislative Journal page 449.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Schmitt,