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1010, 1067, 1086, 1167, 1167A, 1200, 1221  
1234, 1234A, 1251, 1304  
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having been complied with, the question is, shall the resolution be adopted? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal page 1724.) The vote is 43 ayes, 2 nays, 2 present and not voting, 2 excused and not voting.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The resolution is passed. (Visitors introduced.) While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LB 26, LB 26A, LB 349, LB 495, LB 495A, LB 825, LB 825A, LB 901, LB 901A, LB 956, LB 1003, LB 1003A, LB 1004, LB 1008, LB 1008A, LB 1010, LB 1067, LB 1086, LB 1167, LB 1167A, LB 1200, LB 1221, LB 1234, LB 1234A, LB 1251, LB 1304 and LR 6CA. Mr. Clerk, LR 494.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 494, introduced by Senator Bromm, is found on page 1534 of the Legislative Journal.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Bromm, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Lieutenant Governor. Members of the Legislature, I'd like to introduce LR 494. I'd like to thank Senator Coordsen and the Executive Board, also members of the temporary task force that's been appointed by the Exec Board for their contributions and input in trying to craft this resolution. Also like to thank the Speaker for allowing us a little bit of time here. We'll try to answer questions and make sure we understand what we're doing here as best we can. I'd originally introduced LB 515 last year, and this was the second or third time I've introduced the bill, trying to set up some sort of a legislative redistricting process and I made LB 515 my priority this year. But after a considerable amount of discussion with members of the Legislature, with members of the Exec Board, with members of the task force that's in place now, I agreed with the concerns that this would be a large step to put this in statute. If there were things we had concerns about or wanted to make modifications to, it would be more difficult to do if this were placed in statute. So, in speaking with the Exec Board and the task force and the Speaker, I decided that it would be a good process to propose...to put our intentions in