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March 10, 2003 LB 165
 LR 43

opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of LR 43.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: The resolution is adopted. Before we proceed to the next item, while the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 43. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 165 on General File, a bill introduced by the Natural Resources Committee and signed by its members. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10 of this year, at that time referred to Natural Resources, advanced to General File. The bill has been discussed, Mr. President, Friday, I am sorry, Thursday, March 6. The bill was opened on. There was an amendment to the bill by Senator Schrock that prevailed. Mr. President, when the Legislature adjourned for the day, Senator Beutler had pending FA1191. Legislative Journal page 1191)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair would recognize Senator Schrock to give us a brief status update on the bill.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, LB 165 is a bill brought to you by the Natural Resources Committee. We have amended two bills into it. One is the Municipal Emergency Agency of Nebraska statutes, the clean-up language on those statutes, basically. And then we introduced Senator...we amended Senator Landis' bill. It's the nuclear waste transportation recoverable expenses bill for people who are shipping nuclear waste through the state of Nebraska. The main bill, LB 165 allows power districts with nuclear power plants to indemnify a contract operator from liability except from its contents. That's the nuts and bolts of this LB 165. We had a good discussion on Thursday. I feel very positive about the bill. And if you have any questions, we would...there, again, we'd try and answer them. There is always going to be unknowns here. We don't know where we're headed for sure with this, but it seems like it certainly presents the