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SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. As I stated in the opening, the bill merely cleans up statutes to reflect the actual procedures set forth under the Capital Expansion Act. With that, I ask for your support.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. You've heard the closing on advancement of LB 149. The question before the body is, shall LB 149 advance to E & R Initial? All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. The question before the body is advancement of LB 149 to E & R Initial. We're voting on the advancement of LB 149. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 149.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 149 does advance. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, next bill.

CLERK: LB 510, by Senator Hudkins. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 17, referred to the Executive Board for hearing, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill at this time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Hudkins to open on the advancement of LB 510.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Thank you, Mr. President and members. LB 510 is a change in the committee...the Executive Committee caucus. In January, the Rules Committee put forth a proposal to change the Committee on Committees Caucus. We could do that in the Rules Committee. In order to change the caucus on the Executive Board, it had to go through as a bill and change the statute. If you look at the current caucus system, they are not the same. And that's very difficult to explain to people, and it's also very confusing if you happen to be one of the, I believe, four senators who are in different caucuses depending upon which meeting you need to go to. So when we changed the rule in January, that was the first step. We needed to then go ahead and also change the caucus for the Executive Board. That's what LB 510 does, and that's all I can tell you about it. If you