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SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain of the day is Pastor Joann Kramer, from St. John Lutheran Church, Beatrice. That is Senator Byars' district. Pastor.

PASTOR KRAMER: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: We thank you, Pastor Kramer, for being with us. We appreciate it. Senator Byars is from the 30th District. I call the ninth day of the Ninety-Ninth Legislature, First Session, to order. Senators, please check in. (Visitors introduced.)

ASSISTANT CLERK: There is a quorum present this morning, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Any corrections for the Journal?

ASSISTANT CLERK: I have no corrections.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Messages, reports, or announcements?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I do. I have a Reference report, as adopted by the board last Friday; a notice of committee hearing from the Education Committee. The Performance Audit Committee has selected Senator Price as Vice Chair. And a motion from Senator Thompson to withdraw LB 203. And that's all I have at this time. (Also, the Legislative Performance Audit Committee has elected Senator Beutler as Chairperson, Legislative Journal pages 259-261.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Speaker Brashear, did you wish to be recognized? If yea, you may, if you care to. He does not at this time, so we will stand at ease for introduction of new bills. Mr. Clerk, you already have some? Read them into the record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 547-551 by title for the first time.) And that's all I have at this time, Mr. President. (Legislative