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LB 500

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SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good afternoon. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Senators, the afternoon session is about to reconvene. Please record your presence. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Do you have any announcements, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: I have nothing at this time, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. General File, 2005 senator priority bills, Cornett division. We'll continue where we left off. Mr. Clerk, LB 500.

CLERK: (Read LB 500 by title.) Introduced on January 14, referred to Revenue Committee, advanced to General File. I do have Revenue Committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM0773, Legislative Journal page 886.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Landis, you're recognized to open on LB 500.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. The Henry Doorly Zoo is the biggest tourist attraction in Nebraska. Sheldon Art Gallery, Harold Warp's Pioneer Village, the Kearney Arch, any of those the second-biggest tourist attraction in Nebraska? No, it's not. Johnny Carson's home town or his exhibits, the Lied Center, Mahoney State Park? Nope. The second-biggest tourist attraction in Nebraska is out in western Nebraska. It's off I-80. It's Cabela's. It's the largest tourist attraction in Kansas. It's the second-largest in Minnesota, it's the second-largest in Michigan. What a phenomenon; people getting