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LB 141, 742, 1061-1077

Haberman, would you record your presence, please. Thank you. Senator Bernard-Stevens, Senator Goodrich. Senator Wehrbein, would you record your presence, please. Thanks. Senator Schmit. We're looking for Senator Goodrich and Senator Schmit. I understand Senator Goodrich will be here in a moment. Senator Schmit, would you like to record your presence, please. Thank you. And Senator Goodrich is here. Ladies and gentlemen, the question is the adoption of the committee amendments. A roll call vote has been requested. Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See page 238 of the Legislative Journal.) 23 ayes, 14 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: The committee amendments are not adopted. Do you have anything else on it, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, yes, I do.

PRESIDENT: The call is raised. Did you wish to read something in, Mr. Clerk, while we're at it?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 1061-1077 by title for the first time. See pages 239-43 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Mr. Clerk, anything further on 141?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. I now have a motion to the bill by Senator Moore. Senator Moore would move to indefinitely postpone LB 141. Senator Abboud, as introducer, has the option to lay the bill over, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Abboud, what do you lay?

SENATOR ABOUD: Lay the bill over.

PRESIDENT: Lay it over?

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes.

PRESIDENT: Okay, it will be laid over. We'll move on to LB 742.

CLERK: Mr. President, 742 was a bill that was introduced by

Mr. President, I have a hearing notice from the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, for the Business and Labor Committee and for the Retirement Systems Committee, all signed by their respective Chairs.

Mr. President, Enrollment and Review reports LB 678 to Select File, E & R amendments; LB 678A, Select File with E & R; LB 720, Select File with E & R and LB 720A, Select File with E & R also, all signed by Senator Lindsay. (See pages 265-66 of the Legislative Journal.)

And I have a reference report, Mr. President, referring LBs 1049-1079. (Also LB 1034. See page 265 of the Legislative Journal.) That is all that I have.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Those in favor of the motion to recess until one-thirty please say aye. Opposed no. Ayes have it, motion carried, we are recessed.

RECESS

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. With a quorum present, we will proceed back to our discussion of LB 742 at which time we were discussing the committee amendments to LB 742. We will return to the speaking order. Correction, we're on a motion to advance the bill. The speaking order beginning with Senator Dierks, if you would care to discuss the motion to advance the bill to E & R, Senator Dierks, followed by Senators Landis, Moore, Smith, Schmit and Bernard-Stevens. Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I just rise to support Senator Robak's LB 742. I think that... I think these people have a track record that is good and I think we need to honor that. I believe that we do allow people on our roads sometime that maybe shouldn't be there. I don't know how we can stop some of that, but this is some legislation that will allow people to drive again that their track record is proven, they can handle this situation. And they have been kept from this right by the bureaucracy and I think it's time for the bureaucracy to give the right back to them. So I would support 742 and I would urge other people here to do the same thing.

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advanced to General File, LB 1077 General File, LB 1075 General File with amendments. Senator Conway has amendments to LB 956; Senator Baack to LB 545A. Agriculture gives notice of cancellation of hearing; Agriculture reports LB 1004 with committee amendments attached. (See pages 567-71 of the Legislative Journal.) Mr. President, that is all that I have at this time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. Proceeding then to the next bill on Select File, LB 720.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first order of business on 720 are Enrollment and Review amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 720.

SPEAKER BARRETT: You have heard the motion to adopt the E & R amendments. Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried, they are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Wesely would move to amend the bill. The amendment is on page 542 of the Journal.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. Speaker, members, if you recall, LB 720 dealt with caseworkers to investigate child abuse and also to keep caseworkers to work with our foster care children. If you recall on General File, Senator Warner amended the bill deleting the direct tie to national standards that we had in the original bill for fear of having us tied directly to national standards, and so what we talked about at that time was coming back with some references for the Director of Social Services to develop caseload standards and have some guidance from this Legislature. You can't just completely delegate that authority. You need to give them some legislative guidance. So this amendment would provide that reference for the Director of Social Services in establishing the caseload work for these social caseworkers. The work that we did, Senator Kristensen, and I think Senator Morrissey, Senator Bernard-Stevens I think also raised questions about how you determine where these workers went to and we did put in some standards in here dealing