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LB 48, 52, 84, 161-189

the Executive Board will meet in...the Reference Committee will meet in Room 2102 at three-fifteen today for purposes of referencing bills, Reference Committee at three-fifteen.

Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 161-189 by title for the first time. See pages 82-88 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, in addition to those items, I have requests from Senators Chambers, Nelson, Schellpeper, Hefner, Lamb, Crosby and Hartnett to add their name to LB 48 as co-introducer; Senator McFarland and Schellpeper to LB 52 as co-introducer and Senator Carson Rogers to LB 84 as co-introducer. (See page 88 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: No objections, so ordered.

CLERK: Mr. President, an announcement from the Agriculture Committee and signed by Senator Rod Johnson, the Ag Committee has selected Senator Owen Elmer as its Vice-Chairperson. Mr. President, I believe that is all that I have.

PRESIDENT: Ladies and gentlemen, we're about to start the proceedings for the afternoon, and we're very grateful to have with us Father Dawson this afternoon for our invocation. Would you please rise for Father Dawson.

FATHER DAWSON: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Father Dawson. Please feel free to stay with us as long as you like. We're privileged to have with us this afternoon the Nebraska National Guard who will present colors. Would you please rise.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRESIDENT: Ladies and gentlemen of the National Guard, we appreciate your being with us and presenting the colors today. If I might say a word to those who will be escorting the folks in today, it will be necessary that we do it a little bit different than we usually do it. When one group of ushers brings in their group, please bring them up onto the stage and then retire back to your seats until the inauguration proceedings are over with and then I will call you back one group at a time to take your group back, because if we should all come in and all stay up here on the podium, we wouldn't have

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LB 33, 35, 173, 342, 421, 516

LB 421 to General File with amendments; LB 516, General File with amendments; and LB 173 indefinitely postponed, all signed by Senator Hartnett as Chair. (See pages 562-65 of the Legislative Journal.)

Appropriations offers notice of hearings for February 10 and February 16. Signed by Senator Warner. Natural Resources offers notice of hearings for Friday, February 10. Signed by Senator Schmit.

Your Enrolling Clerk has presented to the Governor bills read on Final Reading this morning, Mr. President. (Journal page 565 shows LB 33 and LB 35 were presented to the Governor.) That's all that I have.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. Proceeding then to LB 342.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 342 was a bill introduced by the Health and Human Services Committee and signed by its members. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 11, referred to the Health Committee for hearing, advanced to General file. I do have committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Committee amendments on 342, Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and members, this bill was brought to us by the Health and Human Services Committee. It comes from a working group that was formed after the end of the last session, the Medical Association, the Health Department, the osteopaths of the state, to update osteopathic law in Nebraska. Osteopaths are a medical profession that has evolved over the years to be very similar in terms of training and preparation for practice as physicians are. It is a different philosophy but they frequently go to the same medical schools and have the same background. The committee amendments which are technical in nature simply clarify the references in the bill. The bill itself deals with updating the references to osteopaths. They will now be referred to as osteopathic physicians and osteopath physicians and surgeons, depending on the circumstance. That's the sum and substance of the bill and the committee amendments are needed to clarify some drafting errors. I would ask for the adoption of the amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. Any discussion on the adoption of the committee amendments? If not, those in favor of