SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the advancement of the bill? Anything further, Senator Weihing, there are no lights on?

SENATOR WEIHING: Nothing further, thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is then the advancement of LB 53 to E & R. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 53.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 53 is advanced. Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 662-682 by title for the first time. See pages 313-17 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair also reminds members of the body of the Lied Center tour today. Transportation is available at the south door of the Capitol, south door, Lied Center tour. Returning to General File, Mr. Clerk, LB 57.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 57 was a bill introduced by Senator Coordsen. (Title read.) The bill was introduced on January 5, referred to Urban Affairs, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Coordsen, please.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body, this bill last year existed in the form of a friendly amendment to a bill that later came up on consent calendar, and I subsequently withdrew the bill and introduced it this year as a...or withdrew the amendment and introduced it as a separate bill. What this bill does in the use of wheel tax funds in a city, if we remove from statute the words "or for related equipment purchases as a use of the wheel tax funds", words that were put into by the...put in statute by the bill last year. To the best of my knowledge there are four cities in the State of Nebraska that currently levy a wheel tax, none of which use those funds for purchasing of equipment up to this time. It was

with various statutory duties, both state and federal, in carrying out those duties on occasion requiring to act contrary to what the city perceives as in the best interests and protection of its citizens. The city may find itself in an untenable position that it could not escape potential liability because of not carrying insurance. I ask for adoption of this E clause to help maybe not only harfolk, but some other cities that may run into a problem. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? If not, those in favor of the adoption of the amendment offered by Senator Peterson vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Peterson's amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Nothing further, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 123 be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: You've heard the motion to advance the bill, as amended. Those in favor say aye. Opposed nay. Carried. The bill is advanced. Any messages, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Senator McFarland would like to print amendments to LB 180; Senator Landis to LB 94. (See page 402 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your Committee on Education whose Chair is Senator Withem offers notice of hearing. Signed by Senator Withem.

Mr. President, Senator Pirsch would move to rerefer LB 341. That will be laid over.

Mr. President, a series of adds; Senator Korshoj to LB 672; Senator Moore to LB 63; Senator Hartnett to LB 193; and Senator Lowell Johnson to LB 395.

One last announcement, Mr. President. A Reference Committee meeting at one o'clock today; Reference Committee at one o'clock