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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

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LB 678, 678A, 720, 720A, 742, 1034, 1049-1079

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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LB 87, 163, 257, 397, 486, 534, 601
610, 688, 692, 730, 756, 818-820, 923
956, 980, 1021, 1067, 1069, 1230

9:00 a.m.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Have you anything for the record?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. Your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 956 and recommend that same be placed on Select File; Transportation Committee reports LB 980 to General File with committee amendments, and LB 1021 as indefinitely postponed, those signed by Senator Lamb; Health and Human Service Committee, I am sorry, Banking Committee reports LB 1069 to General File with amendments, and LB 1230 indefinitely postponed, those signed by Senator Landis; and Health and Human Services Committee reports LB 1067 to General File, LB 688 General File with amendments, and LB 923 General File with amendments, those signed by Senator Wesely. (See pages 619-25 of the Legislative Journal.)

A communication from the Governor to the Clerk. (Read. Re: LB 87, LB 257, LB 397, LB 486, LB 756, LB 534, LB 601, LB 730, LB 818, LB 819, LB 820. See pages 625-26 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Moore has amendments to LB 163 to be printed; Senator Wesely amendments to LB 610 to be printed. (See pages 626-28 of the Legislative Journal.)

And, Mr. President, a hearing notice from Retirement Systems Committee. That was given to me by Senator Haberman; and, finally, Mr. President, I have a request from Senator Abboud to add his name to LB 692 as co-introducer. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The motion before the body is to adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. The ayes have it. Motion carried. We are adjourned. (Gavel.)

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SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Baack.

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, Mr. Speaker and colleagues, this is a very, very simple bill. It just...all it says is that for high schools, they may not use foreign exchange students when they are calculating their student membership as far as whether or not that high school can stay open. We have in the statute books, if a high school falls below 25 students for three consecutive years they will be closed by the state. Some high schools have abused that privilege by counting foreign exchange students in their count for keeping the count above the 25 students. This would prohibit that. It doesn't address any of the other things that are used for foreign exchange students, only this one section of statute calling for the count for membership for staying open. With that, I would just urge the body to advance the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any discussion? Seeing none, those in favor of the advancement of LB 1037 please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 1037.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1037 advances. LB 1067.

CLERK: 1067 offered by the Health and Human Services Committee and signed by its members. (Read title.) It was introduced on January 9 of this year, referred to Health Committee, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Chairman Wesely, please.

SENATOR WESELY: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members, this is an unusual, unique piece of legislation because what it does is actually eliminate a bureaucratic entity in government, hard to believe, but there is an advisory committee to DPI, the Department of Correctional Services, that asked that it self-destruct, that it not continue and that it felt it was no longer serving its original intent and so this bill would eliminate that advisory committee. In addition, another advisory committee formed back in '79 with a bill that I was a co-sponsor of would also be eliminated dealing with an advisory committee for older Nebraskans. Since that particular committee was formed before

the Department of Aging was formed, it was an attempt to bring the Aging Commission in with other agencies. It is no longer necessary either, and so we are going to get rid of a couple of different committees and I'd move for the advancement of the bill to do so.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? The question is, shall LB 1067 be advanced. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 1067.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1067 advances. LB 831.

CLERK: 831 by Senator Labeledz. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 3, referred to Revenue, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. LB 831 simply removes the Douglas County Treasurer and the Douglas County Assessor as ex-officio members of the Land Reutilization Authority Commission. In 1973 the act was passed to administer tax delinquent lands. The act established a land commission consisting of five members, one of whom is appointed by the governing body of the largest city within the county and another is appointed by the Board of County Commissioners and a third is appointed by the Board of Education located in the largest city of the county. The act makes the county treasurer and the county assessor ex-officio members. All commissioners including the ex-officio members are required to post a \$15,000 surety bond annually to guarantee the faithful performance of their duties. If this legislation would be passed, Douglas County would not have to pay the cost of filing the two \$15,000 bonds and the treasurer's office and the assessor's office will continue to furnish the information to the commission and retain the administrative rules. The Land Reutilization Authority Act applies only to counties with a population of over 350,000. In other words, it just applies to Douglas County and I ask your support to advance LB 831 to E & R Initial.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? Seeing none, all in favor of the advancement of 831 please vote aye, opposed nay.

February 22, 1990 LB 313, 579, 688, 830, 831, 834, 888
917, 923, 932, 938, 946, 954, 978
987, 987A, 994, 994A, 1037, 1067, 1077
1080, 1080A, 1094, 1102, 1109, 1165, 1178
1217
LR 259

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. We have with us this morning for our invocation, Reverend Dr. Norman E. Leach who is the Executive Director of the Lincoln Interfaith Forum. Would you please rise for the invocation?

REVEREND LEACH: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Dr. Leach, we appreciate your being here this morning. Please come back. Roll call, please. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

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

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Any corrections to the Journal today?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 1080 and recommend that same be placed on Select File, LB 1080A, LB 1094, LB 688, LB 579, LB 994, LB 994A, LB 830, LB 938, LB 834, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 978, LB 888, LB 917, LB 946, LB 954, LB 1077, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 831, LB 932, LB 1178, LB 1102, LB 1109, LB 1165 and LB 1217, all reported to Select File, some have E & R amendments attached. (See pages 904-08 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, amendments to be printed, Senator Crosby to LB 923, Senator Coordsen to LB 313. (See page 908 of the Legislative Journal.)

New resolution by Speaker Barrett. (Read brief description of LR 259. See pages 908-09 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over.

A series of appointment letters from the Governor. Those will be referred to the Reference Committee for confirmation hearing.

Finally, Mr. President, a report from the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. That will be on file in my

February 28, 1990 LB 831, 1037, 1067, 1077

CLERK: LB 1077, Senator, I have no amendments to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Chairman Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 1077 be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? If not, shall LB 1077 be advanced? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. The bill is advanced. LB 1037.

CLERK: LB 1037, Senator, I have E & R amendments pending.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 1037.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? Shall the E & R amendments be adopted? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. They are adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on that bill, Senator.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 1037 as amended be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? Shall LB 1037 be advanced? All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. The bill is advanced. LB 1067.

CLERK: LB 1067, Senator, I have no amendments to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The gentleman from Omaha.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I'd move that LB 1067 be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? If not, shall LB 1067 be advanced? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. The bill is advanced. LB 831.

CLERK: LB 831, Senator, I have Enrollment and Review amendments

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LB 163A, 579, 642, 830, 831, 834, 888
917, 932, 938, 946, 954, 978, 987
987A, 989, 994, 994A, 1037, 1067, 1077
1102, 1178, 1222

PRESIDENT: Okay, Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President and members, there was some confusion about whether the A bill or at least Senator Schimek's amendment was necessary. But I think, with the adoption of my earlier amendment this morning, it clarifies a lot of those problems. And, in talking with my legal staff who has talked with the Fiscal Office, they seem to feel there is no need for any amendments to the A bill and the A bill should stay as it's currently written. So I would just move for the bill's advancement.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Morrissey, please. No. Did you wish a closing, Senator Rod Johnson? The question is the advancement of the A bill. All in favor vote aye...say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. Things for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 579 and find the same correctly engrossed; LB 830; LB 831; LB 834; LB 888; LB 917; LB 932 and LB 938, LB 946; LB 954; LB 978, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 994, LB 994A, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 1077, LB 1102 and LB 1178, those all reported correctly engrossed, Mr. President.

Senator Ashford has amendments to LB 642 to be printed; and Senator Smith to LB 1222. (See pages 1074-78 of the Legislative Journal.)

Government Committee reports LB 989 to General File, Mr. President. That's all that I have.

PRESIDENT: Senator Byars, please.

SENATOR BYARS: I would move we would recess until one thirty this afternoon.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. We are recessed until one-thirty.

RECESS

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LB 987A, 1037, 1067, 1077

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 987A, with the emergency clause attached, pass? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1216-17 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 43 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 987AE passes. LB 1037.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 1037 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 1037 pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 1217 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 41 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1037 passes. LB 1067.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 1067 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 1067 pass? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 1218 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 43 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 5 excused, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1067 passes. LB 1077.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 1077 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 1077 pass? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 1219 of the

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LB 315, 579, 830, 831, 888, 917, 922
932, 938, 954, 978, 987, 987A, 1037
1059, 1067, 1077, 1102, 1113, 1178, 1199
LR 270

Legislative Journal.) The vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1077 passes. LB 1102.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 1102 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 1102 pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1219-20 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1102 passes. The final bill on Final Reading, LB 1178.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 1178 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 1178 pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1120-21 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1178 passes. The call is raised. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do sign LB 938, LB 932, LB 917, LB 888, LB 831, LB 830, LB 579, LB 1199, LB 922, LB 954, LB 978, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 1178, LB 1102, LB 1077. Mr. Clerk, have you matters for the record?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President, thank you. Amendments to be printed to LB 1059 by Senator McFarland; Senator Wesely to LB 1113 and LB 315. (See pages 1221-22 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a new resolution, LR 270, offered by Senator Peterson. (Read brief description of LR 270. See pages 1222-23 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

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LB 42A, 81, 220A, 369A, 579, 830, 831
863, 880A, 888, 917, 922, 923A, 932
938, 954, 956, 978, 987, 987A, 1013
1022, 1037, 1050, 1067, 1077, 1090A, 1102
1136, 1178, 1199, 1222

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You have heard the motion by Senator Wesely to recess until one-thirty. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. We are recessed. (Gavel.)

RECESS

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Roll call. Record, Mr. Clerk.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Anything for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Bills read on Final Reading, this morning, have been presented to the Governor as of 12:15 p.m. (Re. LB 1022, LB 81, LB 956, LB 1050, LB 863, LB 938, LB 932, LB 917, LB 888, LB 831, LB 830, LB 579, LB 1199, LB 922, LB 954, LB 978, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 1178, LB 1102, and LB 1077.)

Your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports LB 1018, LB 1136, LB 1222, LB 42A, LB 220A, LB 369A, LB 880A, LB 923A, LB 1090A to Select file, some of which have Enrollment and Review amendments attached, Mr. President. (See pages 1233-36 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Perhaps a very brief announcement from the Chair regarding our deliberations tomorrow. It is my hope that we can work through the lunch hour tomorrow, with the thought in mind that we can adjourn a little early tomorrow for the long weekend. It's my intent, at the present time, to work through the noon hour tomorrow, and look toward an early adjournment tomorrow afternoon. Contrary to previous statements made by the Chair, it will not be my intent to schedule appropriations bills tomorrow, budget bills tomorrow. We will be looking at them, probably, Monday or Tuesday of next week. We will continue with the agenda tomorrow with some Final Reading, probably some Select File, and perhaps senator priorities on General File. Any questions? Mr. Clerk, would you bring us up-to-date.

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LB 81, 579, 830, 831, 863, 888, 905A
917, 922, 932, 938, 954, 956, 978
987, 987A, 1022, 1031, 1037, 1050, 1067
1077, 1102, 1178, 1199
LR 279

communication regarding signing of LB 1022, LB 81, LB 956, LB 1050, LB 863, LB 922, LB 1199, LB 579, LB 830, LB 831, LB 888, LB 917, LB 932, LB 938, LB 954, LB 978, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 1077, LB 1102, and LB 1178. See page 1306 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new A bill, LB 905A by Senators Johnson, Dennis Byars and Scofield. (Read by title for the first time. See page 1307 of the Legislative Journal.)

Notice of cancellation of hearing by the Government Committee.

New resolution by Senator Robak. That will be laid over. (LR 279 appears on page 1307 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have, Mr. President.

Mr. President, I now have a series of amendments to both the committee amendments and the bill. The first amendment to the committee amendments that I have is by Senator Smith. Senator Smith's amendment is found on page 1195 of the Journal, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Smith, please.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body, you have a very simple amendment before you, AM2659, in the Journal. It's simply asking, and I do want to, I guess, begin by thanking the Appropriations Committee for the recommendation that they have made for a \$212,000 increase to programs, which are being provided under the Community Aging Services Act, commonly known as CASA. This amount though is about a seventh of the amount of money that was originally requested and we can go back in history a little bit, and you have been handed a fact sheet on CASA which is...you will see it appears to be a little thing with a little State of Nebraska and the breakdown of the eight area agencies in the state, which was handed out by the Nebraska Association of Area Agencies on Aging, telling you all about what CASA is, the historic information about CASA, what the problem is, and so on. And you will recall that the Community Aging Services Act was enacted by the Legislature in 1982. It was intended to provide comprehensive aging service programs throughout Nebraska by 1984. At that time, the cost to the state was supposed to be a little over \$2.5 million. Well, we all know that, as many times as I have talked about this, the money was not funded, it was partially funded, and what even