Senator Morrissey to LB 163. (See pages 325-26 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have two new bills, LB 1134 by Senator Morrissey and LB 1135 by Senator Goodrich. (Read by title for the first time. See page 326 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Proceeding to the next bill, Mr. Clerk, LB 756.

CLERK: Mr. President, 756 is on Select File. First order of business is an amendment to the bill by Senator Weihing. Senator, this is the amendment you gave me last year that...

SENATOR WEIHING: Yes, yes.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Weihing, you're recognized.

SENATOR WEIHING: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I'll speak first as to what the bill is so that you know what the amendment is about. LB 756 would clarify the present law amending Section 16-305 relating to cities of the first class and Section 17-108.02 relating to cities of the second class to allow city managers and city planners to be able to combine various offices. The language in the statutes have become archaic and that essentially what it is and this language is clarifying it. As time goes on, as we all know, cities grow and they become, also they may become smaller and there is the necessity at times to combine offices and this is what it is all about. As for the amendment that is up there right now, it's simply a technical amendment. That amendment has been passed cut to you. It says amendment LB 756. As you can see, it is just simply a technical amendment and I'd ask that it be moved on, acted upon.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any discussion? If not, those in favor of the adoption of the Weihing amendment please vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the Weihing amendment. Please vote if you'd care to vote. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Weihing's amendment to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted.

## PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: (Microphone not activated) ...pastor at UN-L, and now is pastoral associate at Trinity Lutheran Church here in Lincoln. Would you please rise for the invocation.

DR. NORDEN: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Dr. Norden, thank you for being with us again, we appreciate it. Come back again. Roll call, please. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

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

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Do you have any messages, reports or announcements this morning?

CLERK: Mr. President, Reference Report referring LBs 1102-1135, as well as three gubernatorial appointments to the appropriate standing committees for hearing. (See pages 348-49 of the Legislative Journal.)

Received a report from the Department of Roads filed pursuant to statute, Mr. President. That's all that I have.

PRESIDENT: Would you like to introduce any new bills, or would you not like to?

CLERK: Mr. President, I'm sorry, I do have some other items. Your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 821 and recommend that same be placed on Select File; LB 822, LB 823, LB 824, LB 825, LB 826, LB 827, LB 828, and LB 829, all on Select File, some of which have E & R amendments attached, Mr. President. Now, that's al that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 350-51 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: New bills, please.

CLERK: Mr. Precident, new bills. (Read LBs 1158-1161 by title for the first time. See page 352 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: We'll move on to General File then, LB 163.

## PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. We are happy to have with us this morning as our Chaplain of the day, Mr. Gerry Harris, who is the Executive Secretary of the Gideons, and lives in Lincoln. Would you please rise for the invocation.

MR. GERRY HARRIS: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Mr. Harris. We appreciate your coming and giving us the benediction, not the benediction, the invocation this morning. Roll call, please.

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

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Do you have any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a Reference Report referring LBs 1172-1242, and LRs 242-245, signed by Senator Labedz, as Chair of the Reference Committee. Senator Coordsen gives notice of hearing for the Business and Labor Committee for February 5 and January 29. (Re: LB 1135, LB 1117.)

I have a report of registered lobbyists for the week of January 18, and, Mr. President, an Attorney General's Opinion addressed to Senator Landis regarding LB 272A. (See pages 421-24 of the Legislative Journal.) That is all that I have, Mr. President,

PRESIDENT: We will move on, Senator Lamb, are you in position to handle that confirmation report. Okay.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President, and members, I would offer to the body the confirmation report for Mr. Myers.

CLERK: Senator, yeah, Lawrence Myers, the Nebraska Power Review Board.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. Myers appeared before the Natural Resources Committee about two days ago and he is a reappointment. He was appointed, I believe, late last year and there was no opposition to his reappointment, and the committee voted unanimously to recommend that Mr. Myers be appointed to

## SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the opening prayer today by Pastor Jerry Leever, our chaplain of the day. Pastor Leever is from Belmont Baptist Church here in Lincoln. Pastor Leever.

PASTOR LEEVER: (Prayer offered.)

SFFAKER BARRETT: Thank you very much, Pastor Leever. Please come back again. Roll carl.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: Mr. President, no corrections this morning.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any reports, any announcements, any messages?

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Education, whose Chair is Senator Withem, reports LB 1037 to General File, that's signed by Senator Withem. Business and Labor Committee, Chair is Senator Coordsen, reports LB 1135 as indefinitely postponed, that's signed by Senator Coordsen Agriculture Committee, whose Chair is Senator Rod Johnson, reports LB 972 to General File; LB 83 as indefinitely postponed; LB 117, indefinitely postponed; and LB 718 as indefinitely postponed, those signed by Senator Johnson as Chair of the Agriculture Committee. Education Committee reports LB 1033 to General File with amendments, that is signed by Senator Withem as Chair. And General Affairs Committee, whose Chair is Senator Smith, reports LB 862 and LB 936 to General File with committee amendments attached, those signed by Senator Smith. Enrollment and Review reports LB 663 to Select File with E & R amendments, Mr. President. An announcement that Senator Korshoj selected LB 81 as his priority bill. Notice of hearing by the Agriculture Committee for Tuesday, February 6. And finally, Mr. President, a report from the Employees Retirement System that's filed pursuant to statute. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 583-90 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Moving to Select File, Mr. Clerk, LR 8CA. Will you bring us up to date.