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LB 37, 50, 159, 259A, 409, 422, 465 503, 503A, 543, 662, 742, 953, 1220-1242 LR 8, 244, 245

not, the question is the advancement of the A bill. All those in favor vote aye...say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. Mr. Clerk, do you have anything for the good of the cause?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Mr. President, your Committee on Retirement Systems, whose Chairperson is Senator Haberman, to whom was referred LB 953, instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be advanced to General File. That is signed by Senator Haberman. (See page 397 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a series of hearing notices from Judiciary Committee, Appropriations Committee, Health and Human Services and Revenue, all signed by the respective chairs.

Mr. President, Senator Kristensen has amendments to LB 159 to be printed. Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 37 and recommend that same be placed on Select File; LB 742, LB 662, LR 8CA, LB 50, LB 543, LB 422, LB 409, LB 503, LB 503A, and LB 465 all to Select File, some of which have Enrollment and Review amendments attached. (See pages 398-408 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new bills. First of all, Mr. President, two constitutional amendments, LR 244, offered by Senator Schmit. And LR 245 offered by Senator Hefner. (Read brief summary of resolutions. See pages 408-11 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 1220-1242 by title for the first time. See pages 411-17 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, reminder, Reference Committee will meet at three-thirty today in Room 2102, Reference Committee at three-thirty in 2102. A final reminder, Mr. President. Chairmen's meeting tomorrow morning at nine...I'm sorry, at eight-fifteen in Room 2102, Chairmen's meeting, eight-fifteen, in 2102. That's called by the Speaker. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: I understand that we have 434 new bills introduced this year. This is the last day, of course. So you might be interested in that. Senator Baack, you're close to your microphone, would you like to adjourn us until nine o'clock tomorrow morning, please.

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: Than: 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

Senator Morrissey. Yes, would you like to put some things in the record, please.

CLERK: If I can, Mr. President, very quickly. Thank you. I have a Reference Report referring certain gubernatorial appointments to the appropriate Standing Committee.

Notice of hearing from Natural Resources Committee. Senator Moore has amendments to LB 1009A to be printed; Senator Baack to LB 1090. (See pages 893-94 of the Legislative Journal.)

A Confirmation Hearing Report from Natural Resources. Natural Resources reports LB 1099 to General File. Signed by Senator Schmit. Education reports LB 1226 as indefinitely postponed. Signed by Senator Withem. Judiciary reports LB 1018 to General File with amendments; LB 1174, General File with amendments. (See pages 895-96 of the Legislative Journal.)

And the last item, Mr. President, a resolution, LR 258 by Senator McFarland. (Read a brief description of LR 258. See pages 896-98 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over, Mr. President. That's all that I have at this time.

PRESIDENT: Now we're back on the advancement of the bill. Senator Morrissey first, please, followed by Senator McFarland.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, I must admit I'm perplexed and a lot of you are probably going, so what else is new, Morrissey? But I have always been in favor of things like this, the seven-day waiting period. It doesn't seem like it's really that onerous. Back in '74, I went to Hamburg, and had to buy...wanted to buy a rifle, had to wait, because I was an out-of-stater, seven days. I went back seven days later and bought it. No problem. And it seems pretty simple, but, of course, lately this drive to and from work is working on me. All the way up...all the way home last night and all the way up this morning I was kind of tearing this apart. And one of my concerns, as I have stated on this floor, has been a sort of a constant or slow chipping away of constitutional rights of our citizens in the state and the nation. I thought, well, this kind of comes under that same subtitle. government reaching clear into our lives and deciding if we're good enough citizens to do certain things, and that kind of And this is the argument that a lot of people are bothers me. using, that we should guarantee a citizen's right to keep and