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LB 112, 202-240  
LR 3

LBs 202-240 for the first time by title. See pages 100-108 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a notice of hearing by Senator Rod Johnson who is Chair of the Agriculture Committee for Tuesday, January 17.

Mr. President, Senator Hannibal would like to announce that Senator Conway has been selected as Vice-Chair of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Committee.

Mr. President, a new resolution, LR 3. It is offered by Senator Baack and a number of the members. (Read brief explanation. See pages 108-109 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over, Mr. President.

Mr. President, I have a request from Senator Smith to withdraw LB 112. That will be laid over. I believe that is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lynch, are you ready to go back to work now? We will return back to adopting of permanent rules. Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. President and members, I have one more proposed committee amendment, simple little amendment. It has to do with cloture. This change would adopt a cloture rule that would become effective after 12 hours debate at each stage of debate on any appropriation bill, and after 8 hours at each stage of debate on all other bills. To briefly explain it, and then Senator Moore will take it from there, let me give you a scenario. Some of you may be familiar with 428, the motorcycle helmet bill. It was my bill. An amendment, say, was offered under this rule by Senator Moore to the bill. As you know, sometimes amendments can take and need more time for discussion and debate than the bill, itself. After 8 hours of debate on Select File, I would move for cloture, or if that bill happened to be a committee bill, the chairman of the committee would move for cloture. The presiding officer then, under this proposal, would immediately recognize the motion and orders debate to cease on Moore's amendment. The vote on the Moore amendment would be taken without further debate. After that, a vote on the cloture motion without debate, 33 votes would be needed for that motion on cloture would be successful. If the cloture motion were successful, a vote on the advancement of the bill,

requires that all vaccinated domestic animals which bite people, or cause a raise in the skin, be confined for a period of 10 days. This bill then will exempt those dogs that are employed by police or military agencies from confinement requirements of these state rabies laws if this dog bites someone during the course of its activity, training or its duties. Need for the bill was brought to us by local police authorities. They pointed out that dogs will sometimes bite a trainer through the sleeves, the protective sleeves that the trainers are using at the time of the training and/or even may bite the perpetrator during some of its duties. Technically, the dog must then immediately be confined for 10 days, and this really isn't necessary. These animals are all rabies vaccinated and they are all under supervision at all times anyway. So what we are asking is that we eliminate that part of the rabies law to allow these police dogs to continue in their normal course of duty. It is important to note that this exemption only applies to bites related to duties or training. An agency may still confine the dog, if they deem it necessary. Also there is an examination requirement if the dog dies within 15 days of the bite. I would urge your passing this bill along to Select File. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Any discussion on the bill offered by Senator Dierks? Any final comment, Senator Dierks? There are no lights on.

SENATOR DIERKS: Just pass.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. We'll proceed then to the question which is the advancement of LB 51 to E & R. Those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 51.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 51 is advanced. That concludes General File discussion this morning. Any announcements, messages on the President's desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, yes, sir, there are. Your Committee on Judiciary, whose Chair is Senator Chizek, to whom was referred LB 229, instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be placed on General File; LB 230 to General File; LB 232 to General File; LB 233, General File with

will be accepted on the advancement of LB 232. Senator Hartnett, please check in. Thank you. Senator Morrissey, please record your presence. Senators Ashford, Chambers, Labedz, Lamb, please report to the Chamber. Senator Coordsen, record your presence, please. Call in votes are acceptable on the advancement of the bill.

CLERK: Senator Moore voting yes. Senator Hall voting yes. Senator Landis voting yes.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 9 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 232.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 232 is advanced. The call is raised. LB 233.

CLERK: Mr. President, 233 is a bill introduced by Senator Chizek (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 9, referred to Judiciary. I do have committee amendments by the Judiciary Committee, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: On the committee amendments, Senator Chizek.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, the committee amendment is on page 373 of the Journal. The committee adopted this amendment at the request of the court administrator. And the purpose of the amendment is to continue...and it was omitted in the bill, is to continue the current practice of not waiving the judges' retirement fees in cases of dismissal in county court. And I would urge the body's adoption of that amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Discussion on the Judiciary Committee amendments. Seeing none, those in favor of the adoption of the committee amendments please vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the Judiciary Committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendments are adopted. To the bill as amended, Senator Chizek.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Mr. Speaker, colleagues, LB 233 is a bill

regarding fees in county court, particularly those that relate to probate and similar type proceedings. The Court Administrator's Office had conducted a survey of the county courts and discovered once again a lack of uniformity in the charging of fees from across the state. Confusing language in the statute is the principal cause of this lack of uniformity and LB 233 clarifies the language and thus establishes uniform fees statewide for identical court proceedings. After testimony, the committee unanimously advanced the bill and I would urge the body to advance the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the advancement of the bill. Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I would simply like to ask Senator Chizek a question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Chizek.

SENATOR HARTNETT: You're talking about uniformity of fees, is that right?

SENATOR CHIZEK: Yes.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Are you going to lower the fees?

SENATOR CHIZEK: In some cases they will be. As the court testified before the committee, Senator Hartnett, it's one of those bills that it's not going to raise any more money. In some cases they were allowed to charge up to 40 and in this particular bill the fee ends up being 20. There are some that will go up moderately and some that will go down but it will be uniform.

SENATOR HARTNETT: The courts won't get any more money, is that what you're saying, Senator Chizek?

SENATOR CHIZEK: Yes.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Could we...could you, and before it gets to the Select File, give us a handout and show us what happens with the different courts? Because, you know, I think we keep adding fees all the time, or so forth. Would that be possible? I will vote for it this time and then...

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LB 35, 190, 233

SENATOR CHIZEK: Fine.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any further discussion? Any closing statement, Senator Chizek? Thank you. The question is the advancement of LB 233 to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 233.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The bill is advanced. The Chair would like to take this opportunity to announce that Senator Kristensen has some guests under the north balcony, Gary and Sharon Cederburg of Minden, Nebraska. Welcome to the Legislature. We're glad to have you with us. Anything for the order, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Not at this time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Proceed then to Select File, item eight.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first order on Select File is LB 190. I have no amendments pending.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes the Chairman of the E & R Committee, Senator Lindsay, please.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Were there...excuse me, Mr. President, were there E & R amendments?

CLERK: No, sir.

SPEAKER BARRETT: No.

SENATOR LINDSAY: I would move that LB 190 be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: You've heard the motion offered by Senator Lindsay to advance LB 190. Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Ayes have it, motion carried, it's advanced. LB 35.

CLERK: LB 35, Senator, I do have E & R amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

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LB 45, 97, 168, 169, 229, 230, 232  
233, 341

have it thoroughly considered, that all three bills should be considered at once since they deal with the same section. So I'll ask you for your vote to rerefer LB 341.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Senator Pirsch. Discussion. Any discussion on the motion to rerefer LB 341? If not, Senator Pirsch, anything further?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Oh, I move for the adoption of the motion.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is the rereferencing of LB 341 from Judiciary to Government. Those in favor of that motion please vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to rerefer the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 341 is rereferred. To General File, Mr. Clerk, LB 97.

CLERK: Mr. President, if I might right before that, some items for the record?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Certainly.

CLERK: Your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 45 and recommend that same be placed on Select File with E & R amendments; LB 168 to Select File with E & R attached; LB 169 Select File, LB 229 Select File; LB 230 Select File; LB 232 Select File; LB 233 Select File, all signed by Senator Lindsay as Enrollment and Review Chair. (See page 412 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, the first bill for consideration this morning is LB 97. It was a bill introduced by Senator Landis. (Title read.) The bill was introduced on January 5, referred to the Banking Committee, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes the Chairman of the Banking Committee, Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I promised that I'd try to do a little better job

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Call of the house has been requested. Clear the board, Mr. Clerk. Members will vote on placing themselves under call. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 12 ayes, 6 nays to go under call.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The house is under call. Members, please return to your seats. Record your presence. Unauthorized personnel, please leave the floor. Senator Bernard-Stevens, please. Senators Chambers and Conway, Goodrich. Senator Kristensen, record your presence. Senator Rod Johnson, please report to the Chamber. Senator Smith, please, the house is under call. Senator Schmit, please return to the Chamber. While we are waiting, the Chair announces that we have a group of Cub Scouts in the north balcony as guests of Senator Ashford, from Den 8, Pack 365 in Omaha. Would you folks please stand and be recognized by the Legislature. Thank you. Glad to have you. Senator Schmit, the house is under call. Members will please return to their seats for the purpose of a roll call vote. Senator Chambers, please check in. Mr. Clerk, please proceed with the roll call vote on the advancement of LB 232 to E & R Engrossing.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See pages 464-65 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: A reminder that the house is still under call. The vote has not been announced.

CLERK: 18 ayes, 20 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion fails. The house is not under call. Thank you. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Lindsay, Senator, LB 233, I have no amendments to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 233 be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Shall LB 233 be advanced? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried, the bill is advanced. LB 97.

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. We have a special chaplain with us this morning who has a famous relative. Those of you who are interested in the fine arts material will recognize the name DeGrazia, and we have with us this morning Dr. Louie DeGrazia of the Vine Congregational Church in Lincoln. Would you please rise for the invocation.

DR. DeGRAZIA: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: (Cavel.) Thank you, Dr. DeGrazia. We appreciate your coming this morning. Roll call, please. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

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

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Do you have any corrections to the Journal this morning?

CLERK: No, no corrections, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: How about messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 70 and recommend that same be placed on Select File. That is signed by Senator Lindsay as Chair. Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and engrossed LB 97 and find the same correctly engrossed; LB 126, LB 229, LB 230, LB 233 and LB 255, all correctly engrossed, all signed by Senator Lindsay. (See pages 483-84 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a report from the Natural Resources Committee, from the Papio NRD, actually, regarding payment of attorney fees that is required to be filed pursuant to statute. (See page 484 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, notice of hearings offered from the Judiciary Committee, signed by Senator Chizek as Chair. That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Just a couple of items, in passing. Senator Lowell Johnson's son's picture is on the front page of



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LB 229, 230, 233, 251, 255  
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voting, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 229 passes. LB 230.

CLERK: (Read LB 230 on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 230 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 662-63 of the Legislative Journal.) 43 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 230 passes. LB 233.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 233 on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 233 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 663-64 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 233 passes. LB 251, please. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 26. Okay, now 251.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 251 on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 251 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 664-65 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 3 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 251 passes. LB 255, please.

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LB 57, 58, 70, 94, 97, 115, 116  
126, 133, 142, 156, 191, 229, 230  
233, 251, 255, 256, 295, 327

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 671-72 of the Legislative Journal.) 33 ayes, 11 nays, 1 present and not voting, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 156 passes. LB 256.

CLERK: (Read LB 256 on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 256 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 672-73 of the Legislative Journal.) 45 ayes, 0 nays, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 256 passes. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LB 57, LB 94, LB 97, LB 126 with the emergency clause attached, LB 133, LB 229, LB 230, LB 233, LB 251, LB 255, LB 295, LB 58, LB 70, LB 115, LB 142, LB 156, and LB 256. Mr. Clerk, do you have anything for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, two items. Government Committee reports LB 191 to General File with committee amendments attached. I have amendments to be printed, by Senator Chambers, to LB 116. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See page 673 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you. For those that are interested in the General File list that is coming up, we'll be skipping the third one, LB 744, and over on the back page LB 336. So, with that, we'll go to General File and LB 327.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 327 was a bill introduced by Senator Wehrbein. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 11 of this year, referred to the Government Committee, advanced to General File. I have committee amendments pending by the Government Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Baack, are you going to handle the committee amendments?

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LB 37, 48, 57, 58, 70, 77, 94  
97, 115, 120, 126, 133, 142, 156  
209, 229, 230, 233, 251, 255, 256  
295, 311, 350, 521, 597, 598, 692  
703, 777, 780

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 209 as amended be advanced.

PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. May I introduce a guest, please, of Senator Hefner. We have Mr. Art Anderson of Bloomfield, Nebraska. Would you please stand, Mr. Anderson. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, anything for the record?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, thank you. Your Committee on Appropriations gives notice of hearing for March 7...I'm sorry, for February 24. That's signed by Senator Warner. A location change for Appropriations hearings on March 1, also offered by Senator Warner.

Mr. President, General Affairs Committee offers LB 703 to General File; LB 777 to General File; LB 780 to General File. Those are signed by Senator Smith as Chair of the Committee.

Agriculture Committee reports LB 37 to General File with amendments; LB 120 to General File with amendments. Those are signed by Senator Johnson as Chair. (See pages 678-79 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your Committee on Banking, Commerce and Insurance whose Chair is Senator Landis reports LB 77 to General File with amendments; LB 311, General File with amendments; LB 350, General File with amendments; LB 598, General File with amendments; LB 692, General File with amendments, and LB 597, General File with amendments. Those are signed by Senator Landis as Chair. (See pages 679-82 of the Legislative Journal.)

Your Enrolling Clerk has presented to the Governor bills read on Final Reading this morning as of 11:30 a.m. (Re: LB 57, LB 94, LB 97, LB 126, LB 133, LB 229, LB 230, LB 233, LB 251, LB 255, LB 295, LB 58, LB 70, LB 115, LB 142, LB 156, and LB 256.)

Mr. President, Senator Moore would like to print amendments to LB 48. (See page 682 of the Legislative Journal.)

And, Mr. President, Senator Weihing would like to add his name to LB 521 as co-introducer. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

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116, 126, 133, 142, 156, 175A, 177A  
208, 229, 230, 233, 251, 255, 256  
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338, 378, 391, 398, 416, 443, 458  
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SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT:      Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Please rise for the opening prayer. Our Chaplain for the day is Father Daniel Sieker, of Blessed Sacrament in Lincoln. Father Sieker.

FATHER SIEKER:      (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT:      Thank you, Father Sieker. Please come back again. Roll call.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT:      Thank you. Corrections to the Journal.

CLERK:      I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT:      Any reports, messages, or announcements?

CLERK:      Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 502 and recommend that same be placed on Select File, LB 281 Select File, LB 416 Select File, LB 443 Select File, those signed by Senator Lindsay as Chair. Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports LB 74 as correctly engrossed; LB 116, LB 175A, LB 177A, LB 208, LB 261A, LB 263, LB 267, LB 273, LB 284A, LB 338, LB 378, LB 391, LB 398, LB 458, LB 459, and LB 499, all reported correctly engrossed, all signed by Senator Lindsay. (See pages 746-47 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a communication from the Governor to the Clerk. (Read. Re: LB 57, LB 94, LB 97, LB 126, LB 133, LB 229, LB 230, LB 233, LB 251, LB 255, LB 295, LB 58, LB 70, LB 115, LB 142, LB 156, LB 256. See page 748 of the Legislative Journal.)