Transportation Committee will meet in Executive Session upon adjournment.

Reference Committee, now, in 2102.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The Legislature will continue to stand at ease while the Referencing Committee meets. We are not adjourned.

EASE

SPEAKER BARRETT: Announcements, bill introduction.

CLERK: Mr. President, a series of announcements. First of all, Executive Board would like to announce the makeup of the Building Maintenance Committee. Senator Conway has been selected as Chair with membership consisting of Senator Beyer, Senator Korshoj, Senator Scofield and Senator Warner. And with respect to the Education Commission of the States, which is also an Executive Board appointment, Senators Baack, Dierks and Withem have been selected to serve.

Mr. President, announcement from the Speaker, and that is that there will be a Committee Chairpersons meeting on Wednesday morning at eight-fifteen in Room 1517; Committee Chairpersons meeting at eight-fifteen Wednesday morning in Room 1517, as offered by the Speaker.

Mr. President, I have received a Reference Report referring bills up through 237. (See pages 122-25.)

Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 267-278 by title for the first time as found on pages 125-28 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a new resolution by Senator Bernard-Stevens, LR 4, asking the Legislature to approve a gift from the Nebraska Game and Parks Foundation to the Games and Parks Commission of certain real estate located in Lincoln County. That will be laid over, Mr. President. (See pages 128-29 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a hearing notice from the Transportation Committee for Tuesday, January 17. That is signed by Senator Lamb as Chair of the Committee.

(Read explanation of LR 6 as found on pages 191-93 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be referred to the Reference Committee.

In addition to those items, Mr. President, I have notice of hearing from the Health and Human Services Committee for Wednesday, January 18; notice of hearing from Senator Hall as Chair of Revenue for January 19; notice of hearing from Revenue for Wednesday, January 18; from Government for January 18; and from Natural Resources for January 18, all signed by the respective Chairs. (See pages 193-94 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a motion from Senator Weihing. Senator Weihing would move to rerefer LB 54 from the Agriculture Committee to the Health and Human Services Committee. That will be laid over, Mr. President.

Mr. President, Reference Report referring LBs 280-323, as well as certain gubernatorial appointees. (See pages 195-96 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a series of unanimous consent requests. Senator Rogers would like to add his name to LB 277; Senator Ashford to LB 58; Senator Coordsen to LB 223; Senator Lynch to LB 277.

Mr. President, Senator Nelson has been selected as Vice-Chairperson of the Building Maintenance Committee. That is offered by Senator Conway as Chair.

Senator Landis and Wehrbein have amendments to be printed to LB 361. (See pages 196-97 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, the final item I have is a new bill, LB 373, by Senator Withem. (Read by title for the first time. See page 191 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a reminder from Senator Rod Johnson that the Food Industry Association will be meeting in Room 1113 today at noon. Food Industry Association at Room 1113 at noon today. That is offered by Senator Johnson. And that's all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Ladies and gentlemen, I would like to introduce a guest we have over under the north balcony. We have with us

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LB 255 to General File, LB 257 to General File with amendments, LB 223 as indefinitely postponed. Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee, whose Chair is Senator Landis, reports LB 295 to General File and LB 297 as indefinitely postponed. Your Committee on Revenue, whose Chair is Senator Hall, reports LB 133 to General File, LB 277 General File, LB 236 General File with amendments, LB 67 indefinitely postponed, LB 71, LB 103 and LB 181 all indefinitely postponed, all signed by respective Chairs. (See pages 413-14 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have notice of hearing from the Urban Affairs Committee, that is signed by Senator Hartnett; from the Education Committee signed by Senator Withem and from the Retirement Systems Committee signed by Senator Haberman.

Your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and engrossed LB 35 and find the same correctly Engrossed, LB 36, LB 38, LB 53, LB 57, LB 79, LB 123, LB 158 and LB 190 all correctly Engrossed. (See pages 415-16 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a communication from the Governor addressed to the Cierk. (Read communication re: LBs 1-6, LBs 8-12, LBs 14-17. See page 416 of the Legislative Journal.) Mr. President, that is all that I have at this time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Proceeding then to General File discussion, LB 180.

CLERK: Mr. President, 180 is a bill introduced by Senator McFarland. (Title read.) The bill was introduced on January 5, referred to Education. The bill was considered on the floor, Mr. President, on January 19. I now have pending an amendment from Senator McFarland. Senator, I understand the amendment you had printed on page 402 you want to withdraw that amendment.

SENATOR McFARLAND: I'd like to withdraw that, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator McFarland would move to amend the bill and, if I may, Senator, I'll read the language.

SENATOR McFARLAND: Please.

CLERK: (Read McFarland amendment. See page 417 of the Legislative Journal.)

Presently, you have to file an application every four years, sign an affidavit every year signifying that the cemetery is continually being used for the purpose that it was originally granted an exemption. This changes that period of time that you will have to file an application, from four until ten years. You still have to file the annual affidavit that it is being used for cemetery purposes. It should reduce the amount of It actually should reduce, somewhat, the cost, paperwork. although I acknowledge that it may not be major in terms of having to apply for this application every four years, but it does extend the period out from four to ten. One of the reasons is that cemeteries very seldom change their use, although there are occasional parcels of land maybe sold or something for a different purpose and when that is done the affidavit should show that. Otherwise this application seems reasonable to me that it should only be every ten years instead of every four, as is presently in the law.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on LB 133? Anything further Senator Wehrbein?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: No, except those that...I just had it brought to my attention, those that probably want the bill the worst are unable to vote on this. But...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. Proceeding then to the vote on the advancement of LB 133. All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 133.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 133 advances. LB 277.

CLERK: LB 277, Mr. President, introduced by Senators Withem, Hartnett and Rogers and Lynch. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 9, referred to the Revenue Committee, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem, will you handle the bill?

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members, I would be delighted to. There are quite a number of both retired military personnel and retired, I still use the term civil service employees, the

technical term is Office of Personnel Management employees, people that have worked for the federal government, have retired and are on a pension from the federal government. those people live in my district. I guess I was surprised, when this bill was introduced, that there are quite a number, I shouldn't have been surprised, but I was, that there are quite a number of those in other parts of the state also. The...most federal agencies, particularly the Department of Defense, when individual is paid their pension they withhold their federal income tax and their state income tax so that the individual that is a retiree does not have to pay that income tax in a lump sum type of payment at the end of the year, or an estimated quarterly payment. The people that are Office of Personnel Management retirees, civil service annuitants, I've never quite understood why the federal government will not provide that same...why the federal government will not provide that same service for them. The reason is because there has to be agreement entered into by the State Department of Revenue and the Office of Personnel Management to provide that particular service. This bill would state that it is the policy of Nebraska to enter into that agreement so that the individuals that are receiving retirement checks from the federal government would have their state income tax withheld from those payments and would not be responsible then for writing a lump sum payment on a quarterly estimated basis and one lump sum payment settle up at the end of the year. It's a convenience most people in our nation experience withholding for both federal income tax and state income tax; this would allow those individuals the same right. There are approximately 13,000 individuals in Nebraska receiving such payments. Nine other states are participating in this particular program. also should be pointed out that there are many states that just don't tax the income from this type of pension income that comes from the federal government. It is a fairly simple concept. I'm pleased the Revenue Committee advanced this bill unanimously to the floor early in the session. Should make you aware that this will increase the cost of ... there will be a cost associated with the collection of the data from the Office of Personnel Management. OPM is different from other federal agencies in that they don't require the...they don't provide the same types of information that some of these other agencies do, so there will be a cost associated with this. I would urge you advance this bill. The cost, it would roughly equate to \$2 per...at least if our estimate is correct, on an annual basis about \$2 per retiree to have their income withheld. With that,

if there are any questions, I would be happy to try to answer them.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the bill. Senator Nelson, Senator Hartnett on deck.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I am sure that Senator Withem has well explained the bill but I know I, too, have had this request of me a number of times and I tried to do some checking on this, and they informed me that the only ones that they had the authority to do so was the SAC personnel, and I thought it was kind of a petty reason. They felt that if they didn't withhold on them, they may never get it. I didn't quite buy that, but I know that there are many, many retirees that are requesting this same service.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I simply rise because I am one of the co-sponsors of this bill, too, and was going to tell how many taxpayers of the state are benefited. Senator Withem has already done that in his opening It simply benefits, makes it easier for about 13,000 of our taxpayers, and I think maybe even though it does cost the state government a little bit of money, I think it makes it in the eyes of some of our taxpayers in the state, and if you look at the people who have signed on the bill, it is Senator Rogers, and Senator Lamb, and so forth. These retirees with this annuity are across this state, and it simply makes the state government a better person in the eyes of some 13,000 taxpayers. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Lynch, further discussion.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. President and members, I, too, rise to support the legislation. I would like to offer a very human reason why we should support it. As we get older, sometimes we forget. Sometimes when we are very young, we can't remember or forget either, and forget either for that reason. Where on the other hand, there are a number of older people, some living in nursing homes, some living with their loved ones, nevertheless, they can't remember at tax time what happened. Some have no tax problems, granted, but on the other hand, it relieves them from having to worry about whether or not they did do their fair share. The people who live in my district mentioned that as one

of the reasons why they would appreciate having this opportunity to be treated just like everybody else in the state, and then not have to worry about something as insignificant in some ways as this. I would hope you will support it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Withem, would you care to close?

SENATOR WITHEM: I'd just urge you to answer to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question then is the advancement of LB 277 to E & R Initial. Those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 277.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 277 is advanced. The Chair is pleased to take just a moment to announce the arrival of  $\div 0$  students from the third grade, Brownell School, here in Lincoln, in the north balcony with their teachers. Will you folks please wave and be recognized by your Legislature. Also some special guests of Senator Hefner under the south balcony, Art and Nancy Schultz from Bloomfield. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you. We are glad to have you with us. LB 236, Mr. Clerk.

CHERK: LB 236, Mr. President. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 9, referred to the Revenue Committee, advanced to General File. I do have Revenue Committee amendments pending, Mr. President. (See page 444 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: To the Chair of the Revenue Committee, Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Members, LB 236, as the Clerk stated, was brought to the committee by Senator Wehrbein. It deals with the issue of delinquent property tax notices and how they are printed in the local paper. The bill would have the name of the property owner as well as the legal description. Currently, only the legal description and the lot number is required under statute. It would also increase the cost assessed to the landowner from \$2 to \$4. What the committee amendments do is they eliminate the provision in the bill that would have kept the bill from

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SPEAYER BARRETT: Welcome to the George Norris Legislative Chamber, the opening of the 15th day in this, the First Session of the Ninety-first Legislature. For our opening prayer the Chaplain of the day, the Reverend David Quam, Central Alliance Church in Lincoln. Pastor Quam, please.

REVEREND DAVID QUAM: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Reverend Quam, hope you can come back again. Roll call.

CLERK: Twenty-nine members present this morning, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. With a quorum present, any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 134 and recommend the same be placed on Select File; LB 255, LB 257, LB 295, LB 133, and LB 277, those on Select File, some of which have E & R amendments attached. (See page 449 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined engrossed LB 45 and find the same correctly engrossed; LB 168 and LB 169, also correctly engrossed.

Mr. President, your Committee on Natural Resources, whose Chair is Senator Schmit, to whom was referred LB 43 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be advanced to General File; LB 113, LB 171, LB 172, all advanced to General File, all signed by Senator Schmit as Chair.

Mr. President, a hearing notice from the Natural Resources Committee for Thursday, February 2. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. To item number five on the agenda,

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 255 be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Shall 255 be advanced? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried, the bill is advanced. LB 295.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that the E & R amendments to LB 295 be adopted.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Shall the E & R amendments to 295 be adopted? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried, they are adopted.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 295, as amended, be advanced.

SPEAKER BAFRETT: The question is the advancement of 295, as amended. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried, the bill is advanced. LB 133.

CLERK: No amendments pending, Senator.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 133 be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question is the advancement of LB 133. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Ayes have it, motion carried, the bill is advanced. LB 277.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Chairman Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 277 be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question before the body is the advancement of 277. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Ayes

have it, motion carried, the bill is advanced. Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do, thank you. Your Committee on Banking, Commerce and Insurance gives notice of hearing. That is signed by Senator Landis. Natural Resources Committee gives notice of hearing, signed by Senator Schmit. Urban Affairs Committee gives notice of hearing. That is signed by Senator Hartnett. Revenue Committee gives notice of hearing. That is signed by Senator Hall. Transportation Committee offers notice of hearing. That is signed by Senator Lamb.

New A bills, Mr. President. (Read LB 177A, LB 261A, LB 277A, LB 284A, and LB 312A by title for the first time. See pages 470-71 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a Report of Registered Lobbyists for this past week. Mr. President, Natural Resources Committee would report LB 166 to General File with committee amendments attached. That is signed by Senator Schmit as Chair. That is all that I have, Mr. President. (See page 472 of the Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Proceeding then to General File discussion on LB 70, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 70 was a bill that was introduced by Senator Smith. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 5 of this year, referred to the General Affairs Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending by the General Affairs Committee, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes the Chairperson of the General Affairs Committee, Senator Smith. (Gavel.)

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Members of the body, we have committee amendments on the bill, on LB 70. What it will simply do is to strike language allowing the commission to charge a fee for the warning signs. The commission would then pick up the cost of producing and distributing the signs. The cost on...the original cost on it was approximately \$500.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Are you....

SENATOR SMITH: Did you want me to give a short version of what

to put into the record, Mr. Clerk?

Mr. President, I do. Your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and engrossed LB 94 and find the same correctly engrossed; LB 133, LB 134, LB 251, LB 277 and LB 295, all correctly engrossed, That's all that I have. (See pages 486-87 of Mr. President. the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Move on to LB 165, please.

CLERK: LB 165 by Senator Chambers. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 5, referred to the Government Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President. I do have committee amendments pending by the Government Committee.

PRESIDENT: Senator Bernard-Stevens, are you going to take the committee amendments?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yes, I am.

PRESIDENT: Okay.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Mr. President and members of the body, the committee amendments are relatively simple and some hat In the bill, it had it that the Douglas County Election Commissioner will be responsible for the redistricting of the City of Omaha and there was a section in there that says about sanctions, about if something would not be done well or not done at all. And there was a section in there calling for a removal of office as one of the possibilities that could be done in the sanctions. It did not specify, however, whether it would mandatory or if there would be a process. So what the committee has done, through committee counsel, has gone back to existing section of law which has its process set up on the removal of office of such an elected official and it is not mandatory but it is the process. That's the first part the committee amendment clarifies. The second, the committee amendment basically is for the purpose of the section that calls for a citizen in their ability to create or to have a lawsuit against a county commissioner or some other entity in this particular bill and it clarifies this section as to what the lawsuit could pertain to and the clarification by the committee is that it will pertain to the areas that show compelling

Senator Labedz to 158A. We will have a roll call.

## PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See page 807 of the Legislative Journal.) 35 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Labedz's amendment to LB 158A. Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay, are you there? I can't see you. On the advancement of the bill.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President...

CLERK: 158A, Senator.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 158A as amended be advanced.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. LB 227A.

CLERK: Senator, 227A, I have no amendments to the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay, please.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Can I clarify, is that 22% or 277?

CLERK: LB 277, excuse me, Senator.

SENATOR LINDSAY: I move that LB 277A be advanced.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. LB 312A.

CLERK: 312A, Senator, I have no amendments to the bill.

FRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 312A be advanced.

the Legislative Journal.) 47 ayes, 0 mays, 1 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 261 passes with the emergency clause attached. LB 261A, with the emergency clause attached.

CLERK: (Read LB 261A on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: Having complied with all the provisions of law relative to procedure, the question is, shall LB 261A pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote ave, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk. please.

CLERK: (Read record vote as it appears on pages 2508-2509 of the Legislative Journal.) 46 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 261A passes with the emergency clause attached. LB 277, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 277 on Final Reading.)

Having complied with all the provisions relative to procedure, the question is, shall LB 277 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read record vote as it appears on pages 1509-2510 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

LB 277 passes. May I introduce some guests that just came in in the north balcony, Senator Abboud has 31 fourth grade students from Mockingbird Elementary School in Omaha, with their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting us today. LB 277A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 277A on Final Reading.)

...relative to procedure, the question is, shall LB 277A pass? All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

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emergency clause attached.

CLERK: (Read LB 312A on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: Having complied with all provisions of law relative to procedure, the question is, shall LB 312A pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Read record vote as it appears on page 2516 of the Legislative Journal.) 43 ayes, 0 mays, 4 present and not voting, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 312A passes with the emergency clause attached. May I introduce some guests in the north balcony, Senator Schmit has 30 third and fourth grade students from Dwight and their teachers. They are from the East Butler Elementary School. Will you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting us today. Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. I have an Attorney General's Opinion. (Re: LB 356, found on pages 2516-2520 of the Legislative Journal.)

I also have an explanation of vote, Mr. President, by Senator Warner. (Re: LB 84, found on page 2520 of the Legislative Journal.) That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign, LB 95, LB 247, LB 247A, LB 250, LB 250A, LB 261, LB 261A, LB 277, LB 277A, LB 280, LB 283, LB 303, LB 303A, LB 312 and LB 312A. Are you ready to go on?

CLERK: Yes, I am, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: We will go on to the General File, LB 272A.

CLERK: Mr. President, 272A is a bill introduced by Senator Landis, it's a bill for an act to appropriate funds to implement the provisions of LB 272.

PRESIDENT: Senator Landis, please.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. LB 272 is the Mortgage

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SENATOR LANGFORD: Mr. President and colleagues, I move we recess for lunch until one-thirty.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Anything to read in, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Enrollment and Review reports LB 272A to Select File. Bills read on Final Reading have been presented to the Governor, Mr. President. That's all that I have. (Re: LB 95, LB 247, LB 247A, LB 250, LB 250A, LB 261, LB 261A, LB 277, LB 277A, LB 280, LB 283, LB 303, LB 303A, LB 312 and LB 312A. See page 2522 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You've heard the motion to recess until one-thirty. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Ayes have it, carried, we are recessed.

## RECESS

## PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

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

PRESIDENT: Thank you. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 216. I would like to introduce some guests in the north balcony if I might. We have Carl and Iona Taylor of Lincoln, and Mrs. Taylor is a cousin of my wife. Would you folks please stand so we can welcome you. Treat them kindly and don't tell us about them and don't tell them about us. Thank you for visiting us today, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor. Mr. Clerk, before lunch, we were where?

CLERK: Well, Mr. President, we were, well, let me...may I read one item for the record, Mr. President, before I...

PRESIDENT: Yes, please.

CLERK: Senator, I have a new resolution, Mr. President, LR 219 offered by Senator Abboud. (Read brief explanation. See pages 2523-24 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over.

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Mr. President, a series of veto messages. (Read. Re: LB 44, LB 44A, LB 162, LB 162A, LB 49, LB 49A, LB 277, LB 277A, LB 250, LB 250A, LB 247, LB 247A.) The last message, Mr. President. (Read. Re: LB 301, LB 308, LB 813, LB 814. See pages 2723-29 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, that completes the items that I have.

PRESIDENT: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 115, LR 213, LR 214, LR 215, LR 217, LR 218, LR 220, LR 221. We will move on to number five, resolutions, Mr. Clerk, LR 223, please.

CLERK: LR 223 was introduced by the Appropriations Committee. It is found on page 2680 of the Journal. It asks the Legislature that pursuant to the provisions of Section 85-404 and LR 69 adopted by the Ninetieth Legislature to call for the issuance of bond anticipation notes and/or revenue bonds in the amount not to exceed \$4,925,000.

PRESIDENT: Senator Moore, please.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, Mr. President, and members, I know we are all busy, a beehive of activity this morning, but this first thing out of the shoot is of some significance. You may or may not want to listen. What this is is the approval for the bond financing of Phase III of the rec center construction. Those of you that were around in 1987 will remember at that point in time when we approved the indoor practice facility, that was the first of three phases of activity in the total hyperfitness area, whatever it was called, I forget. And Phase I and Phase II have already been... Phase I and Phase II have already been either built or in the process of being built and paid for, and the university is coming down...coming back with LR 223, and if you remember back, LR 69 two years ago, it basically said...we basically said we approve Phase I and Phase II and Phase III; if on the chance that when you go to Phase III, and Phase III is rebuilding of the coliseum, which I would like to explain a little bit, if we get to Phase III, it is the university's choice to use bond financing, and they must come back to the Legislature for our approval. That is, indeed, what has occurred. That is what LR 223 is talking about. It grants the authority for the university to bond up to \$4.9 million for the UN-L recreation/athletic facility. Now as you remember, the indoor practice facility, you all remember, Phase II of that