

presence today here today with us reminds us of the awesome responsibilities that we share. They are the reasons that we must choose carefully. They deserve the very best that we can give them--the best education, the best career opportunities, the best environment in which to grow and mature. So as you undertake the responsibilities of this session, may the faces of these young people be your reminder of the job that we all have to do and do reflect on how your actions will affect not only the parents and grandparents of these young people, but the future of all of Nebraska's children. You have my every good wish for a successful session, and my gratitude as well and the gratitude of our fellow Nebraskans who are so grateful for your willingness to serve. Thank you and may the God Almighty bless each and every one of you in your deliberations. Thank you. (applause.)

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Governor Orr, thank you for bringing us your State of the State Address and welcome to Bill, Suzanne and most of all, Taylor. We appreciate your coming at this time to give us your address. Will the committee please escort you from the Chamber at this time. (Gavel.) What do you have left, Pat? I understand we have more bills to introduce, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 301-312 by title for the first time. See pages 152-55 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, in addition to those items I have a series of announcements. Senator Lamb announces that Senator Emil Beyer has been selected as Vice Chair of the Transportation Committee.

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

Mr. President, I have a Report of Registered Lobbyists for the...up through January 9, which is required to be filed pursuant to statute.

PRESIDENT: We have a few more bills to introduce. We'll be at ease for just a few moments.

EASE

CLERK: The Executive Board will meet now in Room 2102;

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LB 301-303, 303A, 305, 308, 309, 309A, 310
469, 508, 509, 605, 627, 669, 722
727, 793

May I introduce some guests please in the north balcony. Senator Hannibal has 75 eighth grade students from St. Roberts School in Omaha with their teachers. Would you ladies and gentlemen please stand and be recognized by the Legislature. Thank you for visiting us this morning. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LB 793, LB 508, LB 509, LB 605, LB 627, LB 669, and LB 722. We will move on to introduction of appropriation bills, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, before, if I may, read some reports. Your Committee on Appropriations whose Chair is Senator Warner to whom was referred LB 301 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be advanced to General File with amendments, as are LB 302, LB 303, LB 303A, LB 305, LB 308, LB 309, LB 309A, LB 310, LB 469, and LB 727, all reported to General File, all having committee amendments, all signed by Senator Warner as Chair. (See pages 1831-39 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Warner would move for the introduction of Committee Req. 1249.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, please.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, Req. 1249 would be the mainline budget bill. It would include everything other than...well, obviously, the bills, the constitutional officers are separate, legislative salaries are separate, salaries are separate, health insurance is separate, but this would include the other recommended appropriations for state agencies and state aid programs. I would move the suspension of the rule to permit its introduction.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? If not, the question is the introduction of the appropriation bill as described by Senator Warner. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the introduction of Req. 1249.

PRESIDENT: The bill is introduced. Do you have another one, Mr. Clerk?

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LB 308, 309

the Fitzgerald Veterans' Home, Cash Funds, actually it is federal funds, and that is what is in the bill. I would move it be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? If not, those in favor of the adoption of the committee amendments please vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The committee amendments are adopted. On the bill as amended, anything further, Senator Warner?

SENATOR WARNER: Not unless there are questions. Mr. President, I move the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any discussion, any questions? If not, shall the bill be advanced? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 308.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 308 is advanced. LB 309.

CLERK: LB 309, Mr. President, was a bill introduced by the Speaker at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10, referred to Appropriations, advanced to General File. I have committee amendments pending, Mr. President. (See page 1837 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Warner on the committee amendments.

SENATOR WARNER: There are no...did you say there was a committee amendment?

CLERK: Yes, sir.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Yes.

SENATOR WARNER: My apologies, slipped my mind. The committee amendment to this bill, if you look in your bill book, it explains that the original bill had the salary distribution language in the bill itself and that was put into the A bill,

which is the more appropriate place to have it rather than substantive law because it would only be applicable during the period of time in which this salary bill is law. There also was a repeal of Section 4 in the original bill which was old and obsolete, was no longer necessary, and then it restricts Section 1 and 2 of the bill, which authorizes employer-representatives to adjust terms and conditions of employment of nonrepresentative employees to be consistent with those settled for representative employees through collective-bargaining contract. What this amounts to is that there was a part for this coming year, for 1989-90 only, there is the practice of those benefits that were gained by collective bargaining through those employee groups that have collective bargaining would also be accorded to nonrepresented employees so that there would be similar treatment for all employees but it is limited to '89-90 alone, and for the following fiscal year, '90-91, there will need to be addressed a number of issues, some of which were in bills introduced this session in other committees that have not been processed, but there are some long-term policy changes that need to be addressed, but for the coming fiscal year would have the identical same practice that was used last year in that there would be similar and equal treatment for some of the bargaining contracts...bargaining conditions, rather, for represented and unrepresented employees alike and including those that are in constitutional offices and are outside of the bargaining contracts by the Department of Personnel. So with that, I would move adoption of the committee amendment to 309.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? Seeing none, those in favor of adoption of the committee amendments to LB 309 vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendments are adopted. Senator Warner, on the bill.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I move the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any discussion? If not, the question is the advancement of 309 to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

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

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309.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 309 is advanced. The A bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 309A was a bill introduced by the Speaker. (Read title.) Referred to Appropriations, advanced to General File. I have committee amendments pending by the Appropriations Committee, Mr. President. (See page 1838 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WARNER: Thank you, Mr. President. The committee amendment to the A bill is fairly voluminous. It includes the salary adjustments for all agencies of state government in the A bill, and in addition, the committee amendment has that distribution language that we took out of 309A (sic) just a moment ago and inserted that distribution formula into the A bill and I move adoption of the committee amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? If not, shall the committee amendments be adopted? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Appropriations Committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I would move the bill be advanced. This includes all the salary adjustments and total salaries for all agencies of state government, that is their increase. I move the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? If not, shall 309A be advanced? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 309A.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 309A is advanced. LB 469.

CLERK: LB 469, Mr. President, was a bill introduced by the Appropriations Committee. (Read title.) The bill was introduced in January, referred to Appropriations, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

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310, 311, 444, 467, 727, 815
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CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Okay. Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: I move we advance LB 280 to E & R for Engrossment.

PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, I do. Enrollment and Review reports LB 162 as correctly engrossed; LB 162A correctly engrossed; LB 311, correctly engrossed, all signed by Senator Lindsay. (See page 2313 of the Legislative Journal.)

New A bill, LB 137A by Senator Warner. (Read by title for the first time. See page 2314 of the Legislative Journal.)

LB 309 is reported to Select File with E & R attached; LB 309A, likewise; LB 467, E & R attached; LB 727, Select File with E & R; LB 305, Select File; LB 310, Select File with E & R; LB 815, Select File. (See pages 2311-12 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new resolution, LR 213, introduced by Senators Crosby, Ashford and Langford. (Read brief description of LR 213 as found on pages 2314-15 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over. That's all that I have at this time, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: We will move on to LB 444.

CLERK: Mr. President, 444, the first item I have are Enrollment and Review amendments.

PRESIDENT: Senator Moore, please.

SENATOR MOORE: I move we adopt the E & R amendments to LB 444.

PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lindsay would move to amend.

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LB 285, 285A, 309, 355A, 653, 653A, 813
817A
LR 215

of the Haberman amendment to LB 813. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the Haberman amendment to LB 813. Record, please. A record vote has been requested if anyone else would care to vote before we record. Please record.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2410-11 of the Legislative Journal.) 10 ayes, 17 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The motion fails. The Chair is pleased to announce that Senator Byars has some guests in the north balcony, 85 fourth graders from Fairbury and Jefferson Schools and their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thank you very much. We're glad you could visit us this afternoon. Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, yes, thank you. New resolution, LR 215, by Senator McFarland. (Read brief description of LR 215. See page 2411 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over.

I have amendments to be printed to LB 355A by Senator Wesely. (See pages 2411-12 of the Legislative Journal.)

Enrollment and Review reports LB 285, LB 285A, LB 653, LB 653A as correctly engrossed. (See pages 2414 of the Legislative Journal.)

Senator Hall has amendments to LB 309. (See pages 2412-13 of the Legislative Journal.)

And a new A bill, Mr. President, LB 817A by Senator Conway. (Read title for the first time as found on page 2413 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, the next amendment to LB 813 is by Senator Chambers.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, this is an amendment that would raise the salary of the Parole Board. If you look for the pink sheet on your desk, you will find it. This is a matter that I had been working on for a number of years and last year there was an indication given to me by the Governor's Chief of Staff that she would support this proposition. We have finally discussed it and reached an accord

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LB 308, 309

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Warner's amendment.

SENATOR LAMB: The amendment has been adopted.

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

SENATOR LAMB: Any further discussion on LB 308? Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I move that LB 308 be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SENATOR LAMB: Any further discussion on the bill? If not, those in support of advancing the bill signify by voting aye, those opposed no. The bill is advanced.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next bill, LB 309, the first item I have are Enrollment and Review amendments.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I move adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 309.

SENATOR LAMB: All those in support of the E & R amendments signify by saying aye. Those opposed no. The amendments are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hall would move to amend the bill.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Hall.

CLERK: Senator Hall's amendment is on page 2412 of the Journal.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, the amendment that I offer is the same amendment that I offered yesterday, or I guess it was the day before, I don't know. But it deals with the salary that is currently provided for the directors of the Metro Area Transit. Senator Pirsch raised a question that I had placed it...in the amendment that I offered earlier in the incorrect place in the statute and she was right. This amendment does address it under the transit authority statute, the 1418-03. It changes, does nothing more than change

the amount of compensation that the Board of Directors currently receive which is \$200 a month to \$500 and for the Chairman of the Board to \$600. Currently, the Chairman receives 250. The increase, I think, is justified in that it has not been increased since 1972, for 17 years. This is a board of five that is appointed by the Mayor of Omaha. They are responsible for a budget of nearly \$20 million. They have a number of employees. They serve over 20,000 customers a day with regard to the number of riders in the metro area and their responsibilities with regard to the operation of the transit authority are numerous, as well as the liability that is involved with any operation of this nature. So the compensation question whether or not it is justified, I don't think can be raised but it is an issue that I think should be addressed and I would appreciate support, first of suspending the rules in order to allow the amendment to be considered, and then of adopting the amendment to LB 309. And I use LB 309 as a vehicle because it deals with the issue of salaries for state employees. I would urge the body to first suspend the rules, Mr. Clerk...Mr. President, so that we could consider the amendment.

SENATOR LAMB: The motion is to suspend the germaneness rule in order to take up the amendment by Senator Hall. The first speaker is Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I have no objection to the amendment. I think I have a bill somewhere that was also a potential vehicle but will not be gotten to this year. But I am wondering, Senator Hall, I have here a motion to add the severability clause because, obviously, the suspension of the rules takes care of our germaneness issue, but there are some things in 309 that are exceedingly important for the state pay system and if some citizen objected to this pay raise and filed a suit, I wouldn't want that part to be jeopardized. I assume you would have no problem with adding the severability clause.

SENATOR HALL: Absolutely none at all, Senator Warner. And the raise would be...it's an up to issue. They would have to do it at their meeting and I don't have any problem at all.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Just briefly, I would...Mr. Speaker and

members, I would...in going through this it indicates that this is discretionary with the board and it's well...I think a well justified amendment and I do support it. Thank you.

SENATOR LAMB: Thank you. Any other discussion in regard to the motion to suspend the rules? Senator Hall, do you have any closing? Senator Hall waives closing. Those in support of the motion to suspend the rules indicate by voting aye, those opposed no. Have you all voted? Thirty votes required. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the suspension of the germaneness rule.

SENATOR LAMB: The rule has been suspended. Senator Hall, to discuss his amendment.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President. Just very briefly, the...again, the increase is from 200 a month to 500 for board members, there are four of those. The Chairman's increase would be to six. I think it is very justified after 17 years. With the growth and the amount of work that's involved is...I think the salary is justly deserved and I would urge the body to adopt it. It is something that must...they must take up at a...one of their meetings and will be open to the public and there, I'm sure, will be considerable notification of the public with regard to the agenda. So I would urge the body to adopt the amendment. I appreciate the opportunity to bring this before you and I have no objection whatsoever to Senator Warner's amendment to include the severability clause. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I support Senator Hall's amendment. And I don't think anything needs to be said in addition to what he has said to make it clear what the amendment does.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Ashford. Senator Ashford waives. Any other discussion in regard to the Hall amendment? Senator Hall, do you have a closing? Senator Hall waives closing. All those in support of Senator Hall's motion vote aye, those opposed no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

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CLERK: 30 ayes...I'm sorry, Mr. President, 27 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR LAMB: The motion by Senator Hall has been adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Warner would move to amend by adding the severability clause. (The Warner amendment appears on page 2440 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I so move. As I indicated, this...obviously we need to suspend the rules but there may be an outside possibility of two subject matters and in the event that challenge would be there it's important that the body of the bill, as it now stands without this amendment, is not jeopardized. So I would move the adoption of the severability clause to the extent that that would help.

SENATOR LAMB: Any further discussion in regard to Senator Warner's motion? If not, those in support of the motion signify by voting aye, those opposed no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Warner's amendment.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Warner's amendment has been adopted.

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

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Chizek, on the bill.

SENATOR CHIZEK: I think somebody...I think. Never mind.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Chizek waives off. Any further discussion on LB...the advancement of LB 309? If not, Senator Warner, do you care to close? The motion is the advancement of LB 309. Those in support say aye, those opposed no. Ayes have it, the bill is advanced.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 309A, I have Enrollment and Review amendments pending, first of all, Mr. President.

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LB 44, 44A, 49, 49A, 134, 158, 158A
162, 162A, 175, 175A, 182, 182A, 198
211, 228, 228A, 308, 309, 309A, 362
377, 429
LR 88

Mr. President, bills read on Final Reading today have been presented to the Governor. (Re: LB 44, LB 44A, LB 49, LB 49A, LB 134, LB 158, LB 158A, LB 162, LB 162A, LB 175, LB 175A, LB 182, LB 182A, LB 198, LB 228 and LB 228A. See page 2482 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, amendments to be printed, Senator Hall to LB 211, Senator Ashford to LB 362, Senator Weihing to LB 377, Senator Lynch to LB 377. (See pages 2482-88 of the Legislative Journal.)

Enrollment and Review reports LB 308 as correctly engrossed, LB 309 and LB 309A as correctly engrossed.

And, Mr. President, I have a communication from the Chair of the Reference Committee rereferring study resolution LR 88 from the Banking Committee to the General Affairs Committee. That is signed by Senator Labedz as Chair. And that is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: We'll go to Final Reading on number 9. We'll start with LB 429, but we need to get into our seats and get ready for Final Reading, please. Mr. Clerk, LB 429.

CLERK: The first motion...I have motions on 429, the first is by Senator Wesely. Senator Wesely would move to return the bill, the purpose being to strike the enacting clause.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely, please.

SENATOR WESELY: I will withdraw that amendment at this time.

PRESIDENT: All right, it is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Moore and Lindsay would move to return the bill for a specific amendment. (Moore-Lindsay amendment appears on page 2489 of the Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Moore, please.

SENATOR MOORE: Well, it's another one of those cows to the ring and see who bought her this time. This time it's one of my old rangy old cow. This one I believe in. This is the Bergan Mercy amendment. Now 429 is a bill dealing with certificate of need, 429 introduced by Senator Baack and the intention of this bill I

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LB 308, 309, 309A, 469

Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 308E passes. LB 309E.

CLERK: (Read LB 309E on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 309, with the emergency clause attached, pass? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2559-60 of the Legislative Journal.) 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 309E passes. LB 309A with the emergency clause attached.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 309A on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 309A, with the emergency clause attached, become law? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2560-61 of the Legislative Journal.) 45 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 309A with the emergency clause attached passes. Let the record reflect that Senator Hall had some guests in our north balcony, 30 eighth graders from Marrs Junior High in Omaha. LB 469E.

CLERK: (Read LB 469E on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 469, with the emergency clause attached, pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2561-62 of the Legislative Journal.) 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

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LB 258, 279, 301, 302, 305, 308, 309
309A, 310, 355, 355A, 469, 588, 727
813, 814, 816, 816A

and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 816 passes. LB 816A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 816A on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 816A become law? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2566-67 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 816A passes. Pursuant to the agenda that you have in front of you, we will proceed to Select File and then return to item 6, Select File, LB 525, which was bracketed at one-thirty. The call is raised. And while the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do sign LB 813E, LB 814E, LB 301, LB 302, LB 308E, LB 309E, LB 309AE, LB 469E, LB 727, LB 305, LB 310E, LB 816 and LB 816A. Mr. Clerk, proceed to LB 279.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have some items for the record. May I read?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Certainly.

CLERK: Mr. President, explanation of vote by Senator Beck. (See page 2567 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have a report of Registered Lobbyists for this week. (See page 2568 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Enrollment and Review reports LB 258, LB 355, LB 355A and LB 588 as correctly engrossed. (See pages 2567-68 of the Legislative Journal.) Those are offered by Senator Lindsay as Chair of Enrollment and Review.

Mr. President, LB 279 is on Select File. I have no E & R amendments to the bill. I do have other amendments, however. The first is by Senators Landis, Wesely and Hartnett. Senator, I have AM1192 in front of me. That was printed earlier this year. It's on page 1464.

May 24, 1989 LB 95, 132, 134, 158, 158A, 175, 175A, 182, 182A
183, 183A, 198, 228A, 228, 261, 261A, 280, 283
285, 285A, 302, 303, 303A, 305, 309, 309A, 310
312, 312A, 335, 335A, 340, 340A, 469, 525, 566
588, 651, 651A, 695, 706, 727, 781, 816, 816A

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. We have with us on our closing day as our Chaplain, Reverend Harland Johnson. Would you please rise for the invocation.

REVEREND HARLAND JOHNSON: (Prayer offered.)

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

PRESIDENT: Do we have any corrections this morning?

CLERK: Mr. President, one small correction. (Read correction found on page 2719 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Okay, do you have any messages, reports, or announcements today?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. I have a series of communications from the Governor. First of all, Mr. President, the last few bills read on Final Reading yesterday afternoon have been presented to the Governor as of 2:48 p.m., yesterday. (Re: LB 525, LB 566, LB 588, LB 651, LB 651A, LB 695, LB 706, LB 781. See page 2720 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a series of communications from the Governor. (Read. Re: LB 228A.) A second communication to the Clerk. (Read. Re: LB 134, LB 158, LB 158A, LB 175, LB 175A, LB 182, LB 182A, LB 198.) A third communication. (Read. Re: LB 95, LB 261, LB 261A, LB 280, LB 283, LB 303, LB 303A, LB 312, LB 312A.) A fourth communication, Mr. President, to Mr. President, and Senators. (Read. Re: LB 183, LB 183A.) A fourth, Mr. President, to the Clerk. (Read. Re: LB 132, LB 285, LB 285A, LB 302, LB 305, LB 309, LB 309A, LB 310, LB 335, LB 335A, LB 340, LB 340A, LB 469, LB 727, LB 816, LB 816A.) The last letter I have received, Mr. President, with respect to signing of bills. (Read. Re: LB 228. See pages 2720-22 of the Legislative Journal.)