

January 17, 1989

LB 303A, 309A, 356, 438, 473-495
LR 7

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to suspend that particular rule and refer 303A and 309A to Appropriations Committee.

PRESIDENT: The motion is carried, the rules are suspended, and the bills are referred to the Appropriations Committee. What would you like to do now, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Reference Committee will meet in Room 2102 now for referring of bills; Reference Committee in Room 2102 now for referring of bills.

PRESIDENT: The Reference Committee or the Executive Board will adjourn, leave us for a while. We'll stand at ease for a little while until they come back. So, relax.

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CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 473-492 by title for the first time. See pages 245-50 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a new resolution, LR 7, by Senator Hall. (Read. See pages 250-52 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Morrissey would like to add his name to LBs 356 and 438. Finally, Mr. President, I have a Reference Report referring LBs 410 through 462. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: If I could direct your attention, please, over under the north balcony we have a special guest. Senator Stephanie Johannis, it looks like you. Would you step out so we can see you. Please welcome former Senator Johannis back to the Legislature. Do you have any words of wisdom for us now that you are out? Senator Lynch, you haven't done much today. Would you like to...just a moment. Don't go to work yet. Just a minute. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, a couple of bills coming in. In addition, I have hearing notices for the Education Committee and one from the Judiciary Committee signed by Senators Withem and Chizek as Chairs.

Mr. President, new bill. (Read LB 493-495 by title for the first time. See pages 254-55 of the Legislative Journal.)

March 3, 1989

LB 154, 492, 681, 778

PRESIDENT: I don't see any other lights on. Would you like to close, then?

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President, I would just urge the body to adopt the amendment to LB 154, then. Again, it is the retail to retail issue and a \$300 cap that is actually less than the wholesalers agreed to but I understand the need by the body to limit that so that there is a protection there that the cap provides so that the three-tier system is not abused. I would urge the adoption of the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of the amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 6 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Hall's amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Hall amendment is adopted.

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

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay, on the advancement of the bill.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 154 as amended be advanced to E & R for Engrossing.

PRESIDENT: Okay, a machine vote has been called for. I don't see any lights on. If there are, wave your hand so I can see you. Okay. The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor, respond, Mr. Clerk? Oh, a machine vote. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 7 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance LB 154.

PRESIDENT: LB 154 is advanced. Mr. Clerk, something for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Banking, Commerce and Insurance reports LB 681 to General File with amendments, signed by Senator Landis. Government Committee reports LB 492 to General File with amendments, that is signed by Senator Baack. General Affairs Committee reports LB 778 to General File with

noncontroversial bill, as Senator Korshoj has explained to me, and there shouldn't be any problems with it. This is something we need to do this year so that after the census is taken the process for the next election will remain as it has been in Sarpy County for the last several years. With that, that is the conclusion of my explanation. I would yield the rest of my time to Senator Korshoj to explain his portion of this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Korshoj, you have a minute.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Mr. President and members, how much time do I have?

PRESIDENT: One minute, but you're second after that so...

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Okay. Well, mine deals with a Register of Deeds. I discovered there is a law that says a Register of Deeds shall be elected in each county having a population of more than 16,500. And there is four or five counties now approaching that plateau, especially Washington County. Seward County is approaching it. Box Butte was at 14,600 in that range; maybe York County, which was 14,900. And all my part of the amendment does is change that figure from 16,500 to 20,000. And I contacted the Washington County Board of Supervisors, and they sent a letter to me requesting that I definitely support this bill which was LB 492 last year. So I amended it onto Senator Chambers' Douglas County commissioner bill where they would be elected by districts. It unanimously carried on that bill but, as Senator Withem said, we got it...we got it vetoed, so I want to add that onto to this bill. This should be very noncontroversial. It's something our county needs very, very bad and it could affect a couple other counties. If there is any questions, why that's it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Beyer, please, Emil Beyer.

SENATOR BEYER: Well, Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I'm not in opposition to Senator Korshoj's portion of the bill but to the amendment. Senator Withem made the statement that the county board went on record in favor of this and he is correct. But on the other part that the people in the county support it, he is incorrect, at least the people in my district do not support it and I have had quite a bit of comment from them. It's a little bit different in the situation of our county, Douglas County and Lancaster County, and I think that our previous legislators had