while you bring in your bills. If you have some, please bring them up. Do you have an announcement for us?

CLERK: Mr. President, Reference Committee will meet in five minutes in Room 2102; Reference Committee in Room 2102 in five minutes.

PRESIDENT: Reference Committee, please heed the announcement just made.

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PRESIDENT: If you don't have anything to do, there is some dry edible beans up in front here, if you would like to help yourself you may. John Weihing knows all about them, so you can ask him if you want to know how to cook them of anything. (Gavel.) Senator Weihing.

SENATOR WEIHING: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this year Nebraska is number one in the production of dry edible beans. I thought that you should realize that we have a very high standing with the production in the nation.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Clerk, you have something to do.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Agriculture, whose Chair is Senator Rod Johnson, to whom was referred LB 35, instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be advanced to General File; LB 36 and LB 38 to General File, all signed by Senator Johnson as Chair.

Mr. President, new bills. (LBs 496-536. Read for the first time by title. See pages 258-66 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, in addition to those items, I have the hearing notice from the Health and Human Service Committee. Mr. President, a Reference Report referring LBs 463 through 495.

Mr. President, Transportation Committee, whose Chair is Senator Lamb, to whom was referred LB 79, instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation that it be advanced to General File with committee amendments attached, and LB 158 to General File, both of those signed by Senator Lamb (See pages 268 of the Legislative Journal.)

please, while we're here.

ASSISTANT CLERK: LB 960A was introduced by Senator Withem. (Read title.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, this is the A bill. I think we discussed it during the debate over the bill. It's the funding mechanism for the bill. We will have to put...it appropriates at this point the administrative cost, \$157,000, one year; \$155,000 the other year. I urge that it be advanced.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? If not, the question is the advancement of the A bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 960A.

PRESIDENT: The A bill is advanced. If I could have your attention just a moment, please. We have a special guest in the south balcony. He is a brother of Senator McFarland and he is from Blue Hill, Nebraska. And wave your hand so we can see who you are, Mark. We're happy to have you with us. Thank you for being here. Mr. Clerk, something for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Your Committee on General Affairs, whose Chair is Senator Smith, reports LB 507 as indefinitely postponed, and LB 1120 as indefinitely postponed. Those are both signed by Senator Smith as Chair of the committee. (The Legislative Journal also shows LB 1049 as indefinitely postponed. See page 899 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, new bill offered by the Special Franklin Investigating Committee, signed by its membership. (Read LB 1246 by title for the first time. See page 899 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports LB 1146 to Select File with E & R amendments attached. (See page 900 of the Legislative Journal.)

Retirement Systems offers a confirmation hearing report, Mr. President, as does the General Affairs Committee. Those are