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LB 53, 57, 123, 537-597
LR 8-12

Mr. President, new bill. (LBs 537-538. Read for the first time by title. See page 268 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair is pleased to announce that Senator Jacklyn Smith of Hastings has visiting the Legislature today Dr. Robert Schlock and 20 students from Hastings College, specifically, psychology and law class, in the east balcony, the rear balcony. Dr. Schlock, would you and your students please stand and be recognized by your Legislature. Thank you. We are pleased to have you visiting with us today. Also under the north balcony from David City High School, Senator Schmit announces the following guests, 8 students from David City High School with their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting. We are glad to have you. Mr. Clerk, more bill introductions, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, first of all, your Committee on Urban Affairs, whose Chair is Senator Hartnett, to whom was referred LB 53, instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation that it be advanced to General File; LB 57 General File; LB 123 General File, all signed by Senator Hartnett as Chair of the committee.

Mr. President, new bills. (LBs 539-557 read for the first time by title. See pages 269-72 the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR HEFNER PRESIDING

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. Clerk, do you have some more bills to introduce?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Yes, I do, Mr. President. (LBs 558-593 read for the first time by title. See pages 273-81 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR HEFNER: Do you want to read the bills into the record?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, thank you. (LBs 594-597 read for the first time by title. See page 281 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, in addition to those items, I have new resolutions. (Read a brief explanation of LRs 8-12. See

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LB 81, 89A, 163, 228, 270, 325, 339
427, 438A, 521, 543, 580, 603, 764
LR 2, 54, 55

CLERK: 29 ayes, 5 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB...or LR 2, excuse me.

PRESIDENT: LR 2 is advanced. Do you have something for the record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, I do, thank you. New resolutions, LR 54, by Senator Bernard-Stevens. (Read brief description of LR 54 as found on pages 1153-54 of the Legislative Journal.) LR 55 by Senator Bernard-Stevens. (Read brief description of LR 55 as found on page 1154 of the Legislative Journal.)

Your Committee on Natural Resources reports LB 81 to General File with amendments; LB 163, General File with amendments; LB 270, General File with amendments; LB 325, General File with amendments; LB 764, General File with amendments. Those are signed by Senator Schmit as Chair. (See pages 1154-56 of the Legislative Journal.)

Education Committee reports LB 228 to General File; LB 543 to General File with amendments; LB 427, indefinitely postponed; LB 521, indefinitely postponed; LB 580, indefinitely postponed. (See pages 1156-57 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Coordsen would like to print amendments to LB 339 and Senator Lynch to LB 89A. (See pages 1160-61 of the Legislative Journal.)

Judiciary reports LB 603 to General File with amendments. Signed by Senator Chizek. (See pages 1157-60 of the Legislative Journal.)

New A bill, LB 438A, by Senators Wehrbein and Hall. (Read by title for the first time. See page 1161 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, an announcement. The Appropriations Committee will meet in Executive Session on Thursday, March 16, and Friday, March 17, at eight o'clock in Room 1003. Appropriations, eight o'clock next Thursday and Friday. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Senator Dierks, for what purpose do you rise?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Beck, please.

SENATOR BECK: Thank you, Mr. President, and our good Clerk. I would just like to ask to move over the three amendments that I have, temporarily move over those, pass over those, and look towards Senator Moore's motion, which may be next on the agenda.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Moore would move to indefinitely postpone LB 163. Senator Johnson, as primary introducer, would have the option to lay the bill over, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Mr. President, I ask to lay it over today.

SPEAKER BARRETT: So be it, the bill is laid over. That will, of course, be the case with LB 163A as well. Proceeding then to LB 543 on the agenda, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 543, introduced by Senator Chambers. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 18 of last year, referred to the Appropriations Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I have committee amendments pending by the Appropriations Committee.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. In the absence of the Appropriations Committee Chair, Senator Chambers, could you perhaps handle the amendments?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I was downstairs listening to the debate on the solid waste bill. Senator Beck, knowing where I was, passed over some amendments and forced me to have to run up here, probably hoping I'd have a heart attack, which I almost did. But, anyway, this bill was rereferred to the Education Committee which held a hearing on it, so it would have been Senator Withem's committee. He and I have discussed it. And I have an amendment which I have offered, it's on the Clerk's desk. And anybody can get a copy whose interested in one. But I can tell you what it does. First of all, the program was put in place last year through a resolution. The money has already been appropriated, and the scholarship is underway. There was not enough time last year to consider the bill, and I feel, and I've discussed it with Senator Withem and others, that it still should be a statutory provision. There

was no opposition to it. So what this bill has done is to reference the resolution that the Legislature adopted last year, mentions the fact that the money has been appropriated. So all this amendment that I'm offering now, which would be an amendment to the committee amendments, will do is to replace the committee amendments and the existing bill so that all it does is to incorporate, into LB 543, what we did last year. It states the purpose of the fund, how the money will be managed and held, like any other fund that the state sets up, and that it is a fund which can receive assistance from private donations. So, in short, this amendment that I'm offering to the committee amendments will become, in effect, the bill. And what this bill will do is to make statutory what we did last year by way of a resolution. And the bill already had a committee hearing, it came out unanimously, but there wasn't enough time left last year to pass it. The money was available. The private funds were in place, or obligated, so we had to get something there as a receptacle to receive that. And the work is underway on the fund. So, if you have any questions, I will answer them as briefly and as directly as I can. But, if there are no questions, I would ask that this amendment to the committee amendments, as I've explained it, be adopted.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Crosby, discussion on the committee amendments, as explained by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. As a member of the Education Committee, it was a pleasure to vote for this original legislation and for the amendments as they came out of the committee. I happen to know the brother, Dick Davis, the brother of the deceased man who left the money and his family. They're hardworking people, and I think I was so impressed with the young man who was dying who thought ahead to help his brothers and sisters in attaining their education. So I...and then his brother went out and got the commitments for the private money, so the Legislature could come along and put more money into it to make it a significant amount of money, so the scholarships will be available to those who apply and who qualify. So it's just...I just, as a member of the Education Committee, I don't see too many of us here this morning. I just wanted to reiterate what a wonderful appropriation and what a wonderful fund this is, and I hope you'll just all vote for it immediately and move it along. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Actually discussing an amendment

to the committee amendments. Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, Senator Chambers, I'm going to support this amendment and I'm also going to support the bill. I think it's a wonderful proposition. However, I do have a question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Chambers, would you respond to a question?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, I will.

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Chambers, I'm not going to badger the bill, so don't...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, that's all right, that's all right.

SENATOR HEFNER: ...so don't get too excited. But I do have a question...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That was yesterday.

SENATOR HEFNER: You said there was no opposition to the bill, and yet as I read the committee statement there was one opponent. Lienemann?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, Senator Hefner is right. There was a man, named Lienemann, who felt that these types of things should not be done for people, they ought to go out and work hard and get whatever they need and not be trying to get help in this fashion, words to that effect. So, he did appear and speak against the bill. But what I meant was that nobody on the committee voted in opposition to the bill.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. But this gentleman, was he opposing all scholarship programs, or don't you recall?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, Senator Hefner, he talked for a good while, and I don't want to try to reflect everything that he said or, you know, specific parts of whatever he said. But apparently it didn't have much impact on the committee or anybody else, because his views have not cropped up during the committee discussion or on the floor.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Okay, thank you, Senator Chambers. Like I

said earlier, I'm going to support the committee amendment and I'm also going to support the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any other discussion on the amendment to the committee amendments? Any closing comment, Senator Chambers? Thank you. The question is the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendments. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment to the committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment to the amendment is adopted. Senator Chambers, back to the committee amendments.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, I would now move the adoption of the committee amendments as amended.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? If not, those in favor of the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 543 vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the committee amendments. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Please record.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Chambers, to the bill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, as I've had occasion to say on another instance, in another instance when I had a noncontroversial bill, I'm working harder on this than I do on some that are controversial, but nevertheless, the bill now is that amendment that I had explained that became the committee amendment which now is the bill, so I would move the advancement of LB 543.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem, discussion.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I apologize for being off the floor when the committee amendments came up. I just wanted to put my two cents in for this bill. We did hear it in Education. Very impressed, frankly, with the commitment of the Davis family and other individuals wishing to establish this program even though we did provide the

appropriation and by resolution create the program or urge the regents to create the program, I frankly feel more comfortable having this in statute as a program that the Legislature established and basically leaving it in the hands of the Boards of Regents to continue or not continue on their own so I think it's probably a good idea to also pass the legislation. As I say, the Education Committee was quite impressed with the presentation we heard and we think it's an excellent program and would urge the members to support it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Other discussion? Senator Chambers, would you like to close on the advancement of the bill? Thank you. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 543 to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 543.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 543 is advanced. Anything to read into the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do have a few items. One new bill, LB 1123 offered by Senator Moore. (Read by title for the first time. See page 303 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a motion from Senator Landis that will be laid over regarding LB 272A.

Mr. President, notice of hearings from the General Affairs Committee. That is offered by Senator Smith as Chair of the committee. And a notice of hearing from Judiciary, signed by Senator Chizek as Chair.

Mr. President, I have amendments to be printed to LB 163, signed by Senator Johnson. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See page 304 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The next bill, 503 will be temporarily passed over. Senator Goodrich has been excused until he arrives. He will be here. We can come back to the bill. The next bill, Mr. Clerk, LB 422.

CLERK: Mr. President, 422 was a bill introduced by Senator Abboud, Goodrich, Dierks, Crosby, Beck, Lynch, Schellpeper,

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503, 503A, 543, 662, 742, 953, 1220-1242
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not, the question is the advancement of the A bill. All those in favor vote aye...say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. Mr. Clerk, do you have anything for the good of the cause?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Mr. President, your Committee on Retirement Systems, whose Chairperson is Senator Haberman, to whom was referred LB 953, instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be advanced to General File. That is signed by Senator Haberman. (See page 397 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a series of hearing notices from Judiciary Committee, Appropriations Committee, Health and Human Services and Revenue, all signed by the respective chairs.

Mr. President, Senator Kristensen has amendments to LB 159 to be printed. Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 37 and recommend that same be placed on Select File; LB 742, LB 662, LR 8CA, LB 50, LB 543, LB 422, LB 409, LB 503, LB 503A, and LB 465 all to Select File, some of which have Enrollment and Review amendments attached. (See pages 398-408 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new bills. First of all, Mr. President, two constitutional amendments, LR 244, offered by Senator Schmit. And LR 245 offered by Senator Hefner. (Read brief summary of resolutions. See pages 408-11 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 1220-1242 by title for the first time. See pages 411-17 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, reminder, Reference Committee will meet at three-thirty today in Room 2102, Reference Committee at three-thirty in 2102. A final reminder, Mr. President. Chairmen's meeting tomorrow morning at nine...I'm sorry, at eight-fifteen in Room 2102, Chairmen's meeting, eight-fifteen, in 2102. That's called by the Speaker. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: I understand that we have 434 new bills introduced this year. This is the last day, of course. So you might be interested in that. Senator Baack, you're close to your microphone, would you like to adjourn us until nine o'clock tomorrow morning, please.

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LB 37, 422, 543

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay, please.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 37.

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

CLERK: Nothing further on that bill, Senator.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 37 as amended be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. LB 543.

CLERK: Senator, on LB 543 I have E & R amendments pending.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay, please.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move the E & R amendments to LB 543.

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

CLERK: Nothing further on that bill, Senator.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 543 as amended be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. LB 422.

CLERK: I have Enrollment and Review amendments, Senator.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move the E & R amendments to LB 422 be adopted.

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LB 37, 81, 240A, 409, 422, 465, 543
678, 678A, 863, 953, 1004, 1124

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber on this the 20th day of the Second Session of the Ninety-First Legislature. Our Chaplain this morning, Dr. John Wagner, President of Union College. Mr. Wagner.

DR. WAGNER: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, so much, Mr. Wagner. We hope you can come back again. Roll call.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any announcements, reports or messages?

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they've carefully examined engrossed LB 37 and find the same correctly engrossed; LB 240A, correctly engrossed; LB 409, LB 422, LB 465, LB 543, LB 678, LB 678A, all of those reported correctly engrossed, all signed by Senator Lindsay as Chair of the E & R Committee. (See pages 612-16 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Smith has designated LB 1124 as her personal priority bill this session. Senator Haberman has selected LB 953 as one of the Retirement Systems Committee's priority bills. Senator Smith has designated LB 863 as one of the General Affairs Committee priority bills. And Senator Carson Rogers selected LB 1004 as his personal priority bill. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The Chair has a very special announcement at this point. Today, February 1st, is the birthday of Senator Carson Rogers. Senator Rogers has provided the treats on each of the desks this morning. Happy birthday, Senator Rogers. Mr. Clerk, to Item 5, on General File, 1990 priority bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 81 was a bill introduced originally

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 409 passes. LB 422.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 422 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 422 pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read record vote. See pages 693-94 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 39 ayes, 0 nays, 10 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 422 passes. LB 543. Motion on the desk, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, Senator Haberman would move to return LB 543 to Select File for a specific amendment, that being strike the enacting clause.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, the purpose for my motion is to bring to the attention of this body that when this bill started out it had an \$800,000 General Fund appropriations in it plus \$200,000 would be raised by private funds for a total of \$1 million. My research shows that the \$200,000 by the private investors has been removed from the bill and as it stands now there will be a General Fund appropriation of \$800,000 to finance this program. I am bringing this to your attention that it is an \$800,000 appropriation and that you should know this before we vote on the bill. I don't know whether this is continuing on year after year or just for the one year. Thank you, Mr. President. I withdraw my motion.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, back to the bill.

CLERK: (Began Final Reading of LB 543.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Proceed.

CLERK: Senator Withem would move to return the bill for specific amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. President, Senator Haberman just, I think, gave an erroneous description of what this bill does and I think it would be unfortunate if that were the only thing that were in the minds of people as they begin to vote. I plan on relinquishing most of my time to Senator Chambers to give him an opportunity to explain the bill, but my understanding of this legislation is at this point 543 is primarily placing in statute a program that already exists via legislative resolution and via the appropriation bill last year and that this bill, at this point, I don't believe appropriates any dollars and I would give Senator Chambers the rest of my time to make that explanation if he would do so.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, when I offered this and it was passed across, I explained that last session we appropriated \$800,000 in the budget bill, that there was a resolution explaining the program so that it would be clear what that appropriation was for and give direction in setting it up, that it has indeed been set up now and is functioning and this bill simply is the statute, the bill that would have put it in statute, but it got caught in the press of things and did not go through, so all this bill does is to make statutory the program that we did by resolution that the body supported and there is no appropriation in this bill, there is no A bill to follow. It simply makes statutory the program that is operational now. So there is no money in this and, Senator Withem, I'm going to give back the time that may be remaining if he needs any of it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem, please.

SENATOR WITHEM: Just one additional question I'd have for Senator Chambers in terms of year after year appropriation. As I recall how we set up the program we basically set up an endowment with a one-time appropriation and this is not going to be a year after year appropriation. Am I correct or incorrect in that assumption?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's correct. It was a one-time appropriation. The endowment has been established and there is nothing in this bill that would require an appropriation now or any time in the future. It's just a bill to make statutory what

was done by resolution last session.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem, would you care to close or withdraw the motion or...?

SENATOR WITHEM: Yeah, I would love to withdraw the motion. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, proceed.

CLERK: (Continued reading LB 543 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 543 pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See pages 694-95 of the Legislative Journal.) 41 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 7 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 543 passes. And while the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do sign LB 37, LB 409, LB 422 and LB 543. Also an announcement perhaps of general interest, Senator Nelson apparently was caught yesterday using the expression "outstate". She is now paying her penalty by donating rolls to her favorite society, specifically the Nebraska Unicameral. Her birthday is in July, but she is using this as an opportunity to treat her colleagues. Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk? The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Point of order, if I am not mistaken in what I heard, the Chair used that word too. I thought I'd call it to the Chair's attention.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair has just ruled you out of order, Senator Chambers. (laughter) Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, amendments to be printed to be LB 81 by Senators Withem, Korshoj and Hartnett. (See pages 695-98 of the Legislative Journal.)

Hearing notice from the Natural Resources Committee, signed by Senator Schmit.

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543, 896A, 907, 1108, 1109, 1165, 1217
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CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 907.

PRESIDENT: LB 907 is advanced. LB 984, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, may I read some items for the record? Mr. President, your Committee on Health and Human Services whose Chair is Senator Wesely reports LB 374 as indefinitely postponed, LB 530 as indefinitely postponed, those signed by Senator Wesely. Education Committee reports LB 1109 to General File and LB 1108 to General File with committee amendments attached, those signed by Senator Withem. (See pages 705-06 of the Legislative Journal.)

Banking Committee reports LB 1165 to General File; LB 1217, General File; LB 1228, General File, those signed by Senator Landis. In addition to those items, Mr. President, I have a new A bill, LB 896A by Senator Withem. (Read by title for the first time. See page 707 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, bills read on Final Reading this morning have been presented to the Governor. (Re: LB 34, LB 409, LB 422, and LB 543.)

Mr. President, amendments to be printed, Senator Hall has amendments to LB 240A, Senator Lamb to LB 369. (See pages 707-09 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a new resolution, LR 252 offered by Senators Conway, Korshoj, Warner, Nelson and Beyer, asking the Legislature to acknowledge the service, knowledge and expertise that Phil Kruse has contributed to the State of Nebraska. That will be laid over, Mr. President. (See page 710 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a referencing report referring LR 251 to the Judiciary Committee for public hearing, as well, Mr. President, as a request for the sale of revenue bonds by Kearney State College. As part of that process, Mr. President, I have a letter from Senator Labedz to the Clerk advising the Legislature as to the reference of that proposed bond sale.

Mr. President, finally, a request from Senators Hall and Chizek as Chairs of the Revenue Committee and Judiciary Committee to

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PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. We have with us today as our Chaplain of the day, Pastor R. M. Meyer, who is Chaplain at the Florence Nursing Home. Will you please rise for the invocation.

PASTOR R. M. MEYER: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Reverend Meyer, thank you for coming this morning and thank you for your thoughtful prayer. We appreciate it. Roll call, please.

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

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Did you make any mistakes in the Journal?

CLERK: No, sir, I did not make any mistakes, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, that is good. Any messages, reports, or announcements today?

CLERK: Mr. President, a communication from the Governor to the Clerk. (Re: LB 37, LB 409, LB 422, LB 543. See page 785 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a report from the Department of Roads filed pursuant to Section 66-476 of the Nebraska Statutes. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Shall we move on to the confirmation report, please?

CLERK: Mr. President, the Education Committee reports on the appointments of certain individuals to the Safety Center Advisory Council. The report is on page 781 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dierks, are you present? Did you wish to take this confirmation report, please?

CLERK: Senator, these are the Safety Center Advisory Council appointments. There were about a half a dozen people.

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes, I will, Mr. President, and members of the