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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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that's already been made that some of the programs based on need, no doubt, would also be addressed to the needs of native Americans and that the actual dollars distributed would be something in excess of that amount that was specifically designated to go to the tribal areas. In any event, I would move that the report be advanced. Obviously, there's been many suggestions that other areas could be addressed. As I have indicated earlier, I know of no way that all of the needs that could be suggested could be addressed. Half the funds are contemplated to be a revolving fund, in nature they go back to the low income or needs primarily low in the way of loans which would be repaid and so there is, from that viewpoint, at least, the opportunity for reuse of these funds by many people over a period of time, which, incidentally, was a change from a couple of years ago. You may recall, we then were operating under the impression that these funds had to all be used, gone within a specified period of time, but that restriction seems to have been lifted somewhat and the revolving fund concept, which is being used in the one program, in fact, can exist and is being implemented. So I would move that the report be adopted as written. As several have indicated, it does point out broad areas which are consistent with the pre-disbursement plan that we would hope the Governor's office would take into account in the distribution of these funds' two specific projects.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You have heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the Appropriations Committee report. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 3 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the motion as offered by Senator Warner.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The committee report is adopted. For the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Revenue, whose Chairman is Senator Hall, to whom was referred LB 564, instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed. That's signed by Senator Hall.

Education Committee reports LB 247 to General File; LB 392, General File; LB 395, General File; LB 531, indefinitely postponed; LB 694, indefinitely postponed; LB 760, indefinitely