

your presence, please. Thank you. Senator Labedz, would you record your presence, please. Senator Robak, record your presence, please. Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Chambers, would you record your presence, please. Thanks. We're looking for Senator Lynch, Senator Owen Elmer, Senator Peterson, Senator Pirsch. Senator Kristensen, record your presence, please. Thank you. Okay, we're looking for Senator Bernard-Stevens is all. Senator McFarland, shall we go ahead with your roll call vote?

SENATOR MCFARLAND: That would be fine.

PRESIDENT: All right. The question is the advancement of the bill. Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See page 297 of the Legislative Journal.) 21 ayes, 25 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement.

PRESIDENT: LB 180 fails to advance. Mr. Clerk, do you have anything for the record, please?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, I do.

PRESIDENT: The call is raised.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read by title for the first time LBs 600-647. See pages 298-308 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, in addition to those items, I have hearing notice from the Natural Resources Committee, signed by Senator Schmit. Notice of hearing from the Revenue Committee. That is signed by Senator Hall. Notice of hearing from the Government Committee. That's signed by Senator Baack.

Mr. President, that's all that I have at this time.

PRESIDENT: We will progress on to LB 190.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 190 was a bill that was introduced Senator Withem. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 9, referred to Education, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Senator Withem, just a moment, maybe we

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SENATOR CHAMBERS: (Laugh.) All right.

PRESIDENT: Saved by the bell. Senator Warner, would you like to close on your resolution?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Scofield just handed me an article where the New York Times is in support of a 50 cent per gallon gas tax. So it could get pretty high. Again, the purpose of the resolution solely is one of expressing concern of placing this responsibility on one....Give you an idea of the impact on Nebraskans as opposed to other sources of revenue that might be available to reduce the federal deficit, according to the American Automobile Association, one of the charts that they put out indicated that an increase at the federal level of 9 cents, with a two house...a household with two wage earners and two...family of four could expect, on the average, in New York to cost \$293.28, on the average, per family, whereas in Nebraska it would be over...about 55 percent more per family, or \$460.54. That merely reflects the fact that in a sparsely populated state and with the heavy utilization of transportation and other fuel related expenses that...for much of our economy in this state that it can be a very major impact. And it seems unfair that that deficit be placed on such a smaller number of people, it ought to be shared on a broader basis. So I'd urge the resolution be adopted.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the resolution. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 28.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. Mr. Clerk, anything for the record at this time?

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Natural Resources, whose Chair is Senator Schmit, reports LB 289 to General File with amendments; LB 761, General File with amendments; LB 52, indefinitely postponed; LB 314, indefinitely postponed; LB 621, indefinitely postponed; LB 622, indefinitely postponed; LB 763, indefinitely postponed; and LB 795, indefinitely postponed. Those all signed by Senator Schmit as Chair. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 1120-26 of the Legislative