

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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LB 55, 60, 84, 521, 624

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER PARRETT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber where our Chaplain for the day is the Reverend Tom Schmid, First Presbyterian Church of Lincoln. Reverend Schmid. (Gavel.)

REVEREND SCHMID: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you so much, Reverend Schmid. Please come back and see us again. Roll call, please.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

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

CLERK: No, corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any announcements, messages, reports, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Coordsen would like unanimous consent to add his name to LB 624 and LB 55 and Senator Beck would like to add her name to LB 84. (See page 366 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Baack as Chair of Government offers notice of hearing for Friday, January 27. That is signed by Senator Baack as Chair of the Committee.

Senator Smith would like to add her name, Mr. President, to LB 521 as co-introducer. (See page 367 of the Legislative Journal.) That is all that I have, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB PRESIDING

SENATOR LAMB: We'll go to General File. First bill up, LE 60, Senator Barrett.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 60 introduced by the Speaker. (Title read.) The bill was introduced on January 5 of this year, referred to the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

May 5, 1989

LB 84, 624
LR 129, 130, 131

PRESIDENT: Yes.

CLERK: ...study resolutions, LR 129 by Senator Landis, calling for an examination of possible improvements in Nebraska's insurance statutes; LR 130 by Senator Landis regarding proposals and amendments to LB 100 that impacts the Uniform Commercial Code; and LR 131 by Senator Landis regarding LB 624 introduced this session, dealing with the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act. All three will be referred to Reference. (See pages 2138-40 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Wesely would move to return the bill for specific amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely, please.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. President and members, this is the last of my amendments. Again, another alternative, I think, would be better for the people we want to help. LB 84 spreads the property tax relief across all property owners, and as a result it's going to some individuals and property owners that probably have the ability to pay their property taxes more than others. And my concern is primarily for the homeowners of the state, that's where I hear the loudest cry for property tax relief, it's from homeowners. There's high property taxes in our homes across the State of Nebraska. This bill would trickle down to homeowners about \$130, I think, on average benefit, just taking the average figures. When, in fact, if you took all of the money here and provided it strictly as a homestead exemption to our homeowners, again, which is constitutional and provided under our Constitution, you would be able to provide \$405 tax relief to our homeowners. So the difference between \$130 and \$405 is significant. If you could go back to your districts and go to your homeowners, to your families, to your middle income individuals, to your elderly and say you're going to get \$405 back off your property taxes as a result of a homestead exemption increase that we provided, I think you'll find a pretty welcome response from those people. But by doing this sort of legislation you have here, by not having the cap, by spreading it around across the board you leave only \$130 to these homeowners. Now these are the people I think we're trying to help. These are the folks that have been crying out for relief and assistance. These are the folks we can do much more to help by adopting this amendment. You know this bill now

February 13, 1990 LB 159, 163A, 624, 642, 862, 923, 943
976, 1010, 1086, 1090, 1091, 1141, 1171
1180, 1195, 1197, 1238
LR 239

PRESIDENT: Mr. Clerk, do you have anything for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. A reminder, the Speaker would like to have a meeting of Committee Chairs tomorrow morning at eight-thirty, Committee Chairs tomorrow morning at eight-thirty in Room 2102.

Mr. President, your Committee on Education whose Chair is Senator Withem reports LB 1086 to General File, LB 1090 General File with amendments, LB 1195 General File, those signed by Senator Withem, and LB 1180 indefinitely postponed, LB 1197 indefinitely postponed. Urban Affairs reports LB 943 indefinitely postponed, LB 1171 indefinitely postponed, signed by Senator Hartnett. Banking reports LB 624 to General File, that signed by Senator Landis. (See pages 779-80 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a series of priority bills designations. Senator Wesely as Chair of Health and Human Services selects LB 923, Senator Withem selects LR 239CA, Senator Warner selected LB 1141. General Affairs Committee selected LB 862 as one of its priority bills, that's offered by Senator Smith. Senator Dierks has selected LB 1238.

I have amendments to be printed to LB 163A by Senator Schimek. (See page 781 of the Legislative Journal.)

A confirmation report from the Education Committee. That is offered by Senator Withem.

A series of adds, Mr. President. Senator Weihing would like to add his name to LB 642, Senator McFarland to LB 1010, Senator Lowell Johnson to LB 976 and Senator Pirsch to LB 1091 and Senator Warner to LB 159, AM2372. That is all that I have, Mr. President. (See page 782 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Moore, please.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, Mr. President, I move we adjourn until 9:00 a.m., February 14, Valentine's Day.