

will meet for a brief Executive Session, in Room 1003, upon recess to select a Vice-Chair. Appropriations Committee upon recess in Room 1003 by the Appropriations Committee.

Mr. President, I also have the Committee on Committees report as offered by Senator Lowell Johnson and the Committee on Committees. Also an acknowledgment, Mr. President, that Senator Beyer has been selected...Senator Emil Beyer has been selected as Vice-Chair of the Committee on Committees.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Lowell Johnson. Could we have your attention for just a moment, please. (Gavel.) Could we have your attention just a moment, ladies and gentlemen. If we could have your attention just a moment, we won't request your attention too long today, but Senator Lowell Johnson has an announcement.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, your Committee on Committees met yesterday, and after careful deliberations completed the committee roster, which you find on your desks, which has been placed there by the Clerk. The report was unanimously adopted by the Committee on Committees, and I, therefore, move at this time that it be accepted and approved by the Legislature.

PRESIDENT: Is there any discussion? If not, the question is the adoption of the report. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the Committee on Committees report.

PRESIDENT: The report is adopted. Back to you, Mr. Clerk. We're ready for the introduction of new bills. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 1-80 by title for the first time. See pages 44-61 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: If I could have your attention just a moment, please, we'll introduce a couple of guests. Over under the north balcony, our first doctor of the day for this year is Dr. Dale Michaels of Lincoln, Nebraska. He's from Senator Warner's district. He's here to take care of us on behalf of the Nebraska Academy of Family Physicians. So would you welcome Dr. Michaels. Would you please stand, Doctor. Thank you for

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SPEAKER BARRETT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. The opening of today's business, our chaplain of the day, Colonel Meredith Thomas, Offutt Air Force Base, Colonel Thomas. (Gavel.)

COLONEL THOMAS: It's good to see you, some of you. It's good to see some of the senators, glad we have all the Pages. I believe the Pages and the "red coats" are ahead, God love you. Let us pray. (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Colonel Thomas. We're glad to have you back with us again today. Roll call.

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

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

CLERK: Mr. President, no corrections this morning.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any reports, announcements, messages?

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Education, whose Chair is Senator Withem, reports LB 69 as indefinitely postponed and LB 134 to General File, both signed by Senator Withem. (See page 404 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a series of reference reports referring certain gubernatorial appointees to the appropriate Standing Committee for confirmation hearing.

I have a rereferral of LB 543 from Appropriations to Education, and I have a reference report referring LBs 600-808 as well as well as certain constitutional amendments.

Mr. President, I have received a communication from the Governor regarding a predisbursement plan for the oil overcharge monies from the Nebraska Energy Settlement Fund. Pursuant to that communication I have forwarded that on to Senator Labedz as Chair of the Executive Board and received back from her a communication referencing that particular item to the Appropriations Committee for comment and review. That is all that I have, Mr. President.