as yet, please contact Joanne immediately. If you don't have the bill that you are expecting, please contact the Bill Drafters Office immediately. Mr. Clerk.

Mr. President, for the record, I have received a reference report referring LBs 496-599 including resolutions 8-12, all of which are constitutional amendments.

Mr. President, your Committee on Banking, Commerce and Insurance to whom we referred LB 94 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation that it be advanced to General File with amendments attached. (See pages 320-21 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have hearing notices from the Judiciary Committee signed by Senator Chizek as Chair, and a second hearing notice from Judiciary as well as a third hearing notice from Judiciary, all signed by Senator Chizek.

Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 683-726 by title for the first time. See pages 321-30 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a request to add names, Senator Korshoj to LB 570, Senator Smith to LB 576, Senator Baack to 570 and Senator Barrett to LB 247.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Stand at ease.

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SPEAKER BARRETT: More bills, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. (Read LBs 727-776 by title for the first time. See pages 331-42 of the Legislative Journal.)

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SPEAKER BARRETT: More bill introductions.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. (Read LBs 777-808 by title for the first time. See pages 343-50 of Legislative Journal.)

CLERK: Mr. President, I have reports. Your Committee on

wish for absolute clarity. School officials only recently discovered the potential conflict. They have always believed that 79-548.01 was a specific grant of authority. There have been many projects that Class VI schools have paid for with Construction Sinking Funds after only the vote of the school board to authorize the expenditure. LB 499 simply clarifies that such actions are absolutely legal and appropriate with only a vote of the school board. In addition, the bill repeals some obsolete language contained in Section 79-1103, the opened section, and that is it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Any further discussion? If not, the question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 499.

PRESIDENT: LB 499 is advanced. Mr. Clerk, you have something for the record?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President, thank you. Mr. President, your Committee on Transportation, whose Chair is Senator Lamb, reports LB 47 to General File, LB 75 General File, LB 608 General File, LB 186 indefinitely postponed, and LB 474 indefinitely postponed, all signed by Senator Lamb as Chair.

Banking Committee reports LB 359 to General File, and LB 358 indefinitely postponed, both signed by Senator Landis as Chair. (See page 464 of the Legislative Journal.)

i have notice of hearing from the Natural Resources Committee signed by Senator Schmit, and a motion from Senator Schmit to withdraw LB 697. Mr. President, that will be laid over pursuant to legislative rules. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. We will move on to LB 357, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 357 was a bill that was introduced by Senators Nelson, Smith, Schellpeper, Coordsen, and Crosby. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 11 of this year, referred to the Education Committee. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President. I do have committee amendments pending by the Education Committee.

Mr. President. That is all that I have.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. We will move on to the motion by Senator Schmit.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Schmit would move to withdraw LB 697.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I introduced this bill at the request of the Nebraska Public Power. At the present time, they don't feel they need the bill, they've asked me to withdraw it and I concur. I so move.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? If not, the question is the withdrawal of LB 697. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to withdraw the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: It is withdrawn. (Gavel.) If I could have your attention for a moment, ladies and gentlemen. Senator Barrett, would you address your microphone, please. This is a special day for Senator Barrett. I want you to know that there is no cake or coffee, but several years ago Senator Barrett uttered famous words, and those words were, "Let 'em eat cake." (Laughter.) I think it was he who thought up those words. Senator Barrett, would you like to eat crow, or say something? (Laughter.)

SENATOR BARRETT: Not really, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: I think, I think the presiding officer is referring, perhaps, to a very special day. It's a day that I have kept hidden all of the years that I've been in the Legislature. It does happen to be a birthday of mine today and, for lo these many years that secret has remained hidden, there's never been cake, cookies or anything of the sort. And, for some unknown reason, my secret was exposed this year. And there are those of you on this floor that know it is my birthday. With that, I think enough said, Mr. President, there is no cake today, again. (Laughter.)