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LB 94, 247, 570, 576, 683-808

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.

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.

EASE

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 the Legislative Journal.)

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

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LB 108, 285A, 431, 465, 484, 552, 553
554, 565, 579, 581, 526, 637, 699
707, 719, 769, 806
LR 66

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Withem's amendment, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Withem amendment is adopted. Back to the bill as amended. Senator Baack, anything further?

SENATOR BAACK: No, Mr. Speaker, I would simply urge the body to advance this bill. I...I agree with Senator Withem, it's not something that I...that I particularly like, not being able to prohibit the payment of petition circulators but I think it's something that we have to deal with in our law right now. So I would just urge advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? Shall LB 637 be advanced? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 637.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 637 is advanced. Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, thank you, yes. Your Committee on Judiciary whose Chair is Senator Chizek, to whom was referred LB 465 instructs me to report the bill back with the recommendation it be advanced to General File; LB 552, General File; LB 554, General File; LB 565, General File; LB 579, General File; LB 719, General File with amendments; LB 769, General File with amendments; LB 108, indefinitely postponed, as is LB 484, LB 553, LB 626, LB 699, LB 806, all those indefinitely postponed. (See pages 1404-05 of the Legislative Journal.)

Revenue Committee reports LB 707 to General File with amendments and LB 581, General File with amendments. Those are signed by Senator Hall as Chair. New resolution, LR 66 by Senator Rogers. (Read summary of resolution.) That will be laid over. Lobby report for this week, Mr. President. Amendments to be printed, Senator Lamb to LB 285A, Senator Wehrbein to LB 431. And, Mr. President, I have motions from Senator Warner, as Chair of the Appropriations Committee, regarding introduction of a new bill and a rules suspension accompanying that. Both of those will be laid over. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 1406-10 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? If not, those in favor of the readvancement of the bill please say aye. Opposed no. Ayes have it, motion carried, the bill is readvanced. Mr. Clerk, LB 240.

CLERK: Mr. President, 240 has motions. The first is offered by Senator Baack. Senator, this is your AM2173, first one you gave me, Senator.

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, I would like to withdraw that, please.

SPEAKER BARRETT: So ordered.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Baack would move to return the bill for specific amendment. AM2276, Senator, is what I have in front of me. (Baack amendment can be found on page 537 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Baack.

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I think you all have a sheet on your desk, and this explains the amendment to 240 that we're trying to attach here. What this amendment is, it's LB 719 that was heard last year before the Judiciary Committee. They advanced the bill. There were no opponents at the hearing. There was one neutral testifier, but there were no opponents at this hearing. What this...what LB 719 does is it talks about setting up a system so that we can provide 911 emergency telephone service in this state and have a system set in place for providing those services. And what it does is it says that it allows a body, and I stress that it allows them to do this, it does not mandate that they use this system to set up 911 in their area. It allows the governing body to impose a surcharge on the monthly telephone bill for the imple...for either the implementation or the upgrading of the 911 services. It also is the...the bill is one that encourages the local governing bodies to jointly utilize the 911 services. It is, as I said earlier, it is permissive, it's not mandatory. The local entity makes that decision. If they are already providing 911 services, are using their own local revenues to do that, they may continue to do that. But this also gives them the option of using a surcharge on the telephone bills to provide that service. It also...I think this is really important, especially in my area where they're trying to set up some 911 services in some of the counties that are very sparsely populated, they need

appreciate very much Senator Hall's willingness to allow us to have this discussion with his bill, and I would urge you to support it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The Chair recognizes the member from the 7th District, Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I rise in support of the motion to bring back LB 240, the bill that we amended the provisions of LB 129 into a week ago. If you recall, it deals with the relay system for the hearing impaired. I appreciate Senator Baack, Senator Withem's motion that they bring to us, the former LB 719 I think it is. I do, though, want to point out to the body that with the return of the bill, the adoption of the amendment into 240, I do have a couple of amendments that I will ask very briefly. They are, I think, real cut and dried amendments to follow. I've talked to at least Senator Baack, because Senator Withem was not here yesterday, about those amendments, and I don't think they will take much time. But please know that I will follow the adoption of this amendment with two amendments that deal with the adoption of 719 into 240. But I would urge the body to return the bill for purposes of amending it. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hartnett, would you care to discuss the motion to return the bill?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President, members of the body, I'd like to ask Senator Withem or Senator Baack a question and so forth, because I think Senator Withem is correct, is that in Sarpy County we already have this system. I think we have in Sarpy County we have two systems. (Laugh.) With this amendment and so forth, I haven't studied it but, Senator Withem, would this just limit to only one system within a county? Or maybe Senator Baack, I guess that's...because right now we have two ongoing systems in Sarpy County. Would it just limit it to one system per county is my question?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem, would you respond.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes. I don't believe it does, Senator Hartnett. I might, frankly, given the size of our county I think it's kind of silly that we have two different systems, that the people ought to be able to communicate and create one. But I believe what this does is it gives the governing body,