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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.)

EASE

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 95, 140, 257, 280, 289, 311, 330
336, 387, 395, 438, 444, 478, 561
588, 603, 606, 643, 683, 705, 710
721, 736, 739, 744, 761, 762, 767
769, 780, 807

indefinitely postponed; LB 478, indefinitely postponed; LB 561, indefinitely postponed; LB 387, indefinitely postponed, all those signed by Senator Chizek as Chair of the Judiciary Committee. (See pages 1081-82 of the Legislative Journal. Journal page 1082 shows LB 721 as indefinitely postponed.)

Mr. President, a series of priority bill designations. Senator Hall would like to designate LB 762 as a committee priority. Senator Hartnett designates LB 95 and LB 444 as Urban Affairs priority bills. Senator Hartnett chooses LB 603 as his personal priority bill. LB 739 has been selected by Senator Hannibal; LB 606 by Senator Schimek; LB 761 and LB 289 by the Natural Resources Committee, and LB 807 by Senator Schmit, personally. LB 769 by Senator Labedz; LB 705 by Senator Ashford; LB 438 by Senator Wehrbein; LB 710 by Senator Scofield; LB 643 by Senator Bernard-Stevens; LB 588 by Senator Chambers; LB 739 by Senator Hannibal; LB 330 by Senator Pirsch; LB 767 by Senator Smith; LB 736 and LB 780 by General Affairs Committee; LB 395 by Senator Peterson. Senator Lamb selected Transportation Committee's LB 280 as a priority bill. LB 311 has been selected by Senator Landis as his personal priority bill; LB 683 by Senator Schellpeper.

Mr. President, I have a series of amendments to be printed. LB 744 by Senator Withem; LB 336 and LB 257, those by Senator Withem. (See pages 1083-88 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have an Attorney General's Opinion addressed to Senator Haberman regarding an issue raised by Senator Haberman. (See pages 1088-90 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Natural Resources Committee will have an Executive Session at eleven-fifteen in the senate lounge, and the Banking Committee will have an Executive Session at eleven o'clock in the senate lounge. Banking at eleven o'clock, Natural Resources at eleven-fifteen. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Proceeding then to Select File, LB 140.

CLERK: Mr. President, 140 is on Select File. Mr. President, the bill has been considered on Select File. On March 2nd the Enrollment and Review amendments were adopted. There was an amendment to the bill by Senator Chizek that was adopted.

April 18, 1989

LB 591, 736

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Nelson, please.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I could have addressed the bill. I, too, am a co-sponsor on LB 736, and I share the same concerns as Senator Johnson just expressed. I do want to commend Senator Smith and the committee hopefully getting a compromise on this simulcasting bill. And I do...I have some reservations. But, as everything, we try to compromise and we try to work it out to the best of our ability. So I do support the committee amendments, and I also, while I'm up here speaking and I hope that this bill can move through rather rapidly. This bill has the emergency clause on it. And I will tell the body that as far as the amount of the tax dollars and so on, or the possibility to come into the state, the Kentucky Derby is the first Saturday in May. And the tracks would estimate a 25 percent increase in attendance and so on for that particular race. Any delay that we do in the legislation and so on, the industry itself is simply losing money. One of the horses that used to run in Grand Island will be running in that race. I would hope that the body would adopt the amendments and we could vote on the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Schellpeper, please.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. Shall debate now cease? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator Smith, please, to close.

SENATOR SMITH: I ask for the body's support in adoption of the amendment...committee amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 591. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the General Affairs Committee amendments.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I, too, have had a great concern. I can see increase for the cities, I can see increase for the counties, I can see increase, requests an increase right down the line, but we're truly not doing anything for state aid to schools. Utility bills are going up, insurance is going up. Most of the school budgets are increasing, 6, 6.5 percent. What are we doing? We're turning our backs on that, trying to be goody-goody to everybody and yet where the two property tax costs are, are our schools, and what are we doing about it? We're doing nothing. I guess maybe they've not been the strongest lobbyists down here for state aid to education. Senator Moore is correct. I do have some amendments filed, somewhat to give you the options. One is on LB 84, 20 million out of that. I commend Senator Kristensen for attaching it to this bill. I'll go down the list of amendments that I do have filed. I have one on LB 84, \$20 million for state aid. That, to me, is property tax relief, or at least it helps. It's not relief. It's just more or less to hold it even. I have an amendment on LB 89. My teachers would almost like to kill me. They are saying that I'm taking away their money by putting LB 89 in state aid to education. I simply do not agree; 80 percent of the salaries of the school districts are...or 80 percent of the cost are teachers' salaries so I don't feel that I'm killing LB 89 by putting it into the system that we have now and the current formulas without building into something that we may or may not be able to sustain. I also have an amendment on LB 736, the income tax reduction. I don't know what the body feels about that. There is a credit, I think a child credit, a credit to the elderly \$8 million. I'm forgiving it back to the people that have paid the tax and I think property tax or school aid is far more equitable than a portion of that bill, but I'm just telling the body what I have filed. This is a real concern of mine. We have, if you go back one more year in state aid to schools, in 1981...

SENATOR LAMB: One minute, Senator.

SENATOR NELSON: ...we have increased state aid about \$40 million, but if you go back to the '82 and '83 figure we have not. And I don't know, it's up to the body to figure out which step they want to take. I would hope that we could do LB 89 and also do Senator Kristensen's \$18 million. I guess that I'll kind of wait to see how it goes and I probably will

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1090, 1100, 1159, 1236
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and nonsmokers have a right to resent it." I do hope that this resolution will receive all of the votes present on the floor, Senator Goodrich said he will not vote for it, so I'll say, with the exception of the one who has expressed opposition to what the resolution attempts to do.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You've heard the closing. And the question is the adoption of LR 257. All in favor of that motion please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 257.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LR 257 is adopted. The Chair is pleased to note that Senator Wehrbein has 15 guests in our south balcony from Elmwood High School. Fifteen seniors are visiting with us this morning along with their teacher. Would you people please stand and be welcomed by your Legislature. Thank you. We're pleased to have you with us. Proceeding to the record, Mr. Clerk. Have you anything to read in?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Thank you. Some amendments to be printed to LB 708 by Senator Chambers. Enrollment and Review reports LB 1090, LB 1032, LB 1236, LB 164A, LB 313A, and LB 980A to Select File some of which have E & R amendments attached. General Affairs Committee, whose Chair is Senator Smith, reports LR 241CA to General File; LB 736, indefinitely postponed; LB 1100, indefinitely postponed; LB 1159, indefinitely postponed, those signed by Senator Smith. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 979-80 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Item 6, Mr. Clerk, LB 260 on General File.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 260 was a bill introduced by Senators Conway, Baack and Schmit. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 9, last year, Mr. President, at that time referred to the Revenue Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending by the Revenue Committee, Mr. President. (Standing Committee amendments are on page 724 of the Legislative Journal for the First Session, 1989.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hefner, would you please handle the