

Commission for Postsecondary Education, again, filed pursuant to statute; a report from the Nebraska Games and Parks Commission filed pursuant to statute; the annual report of the Division of Telecommunications; a communication from a series of Natural Resources Districts, Mr. President, with respect to payment of attorneys fees incurred during this past year. (See pages 88-89 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a series of appointment letters from the Governor, appointments to the Board of Health, to the Rural Health Manpower Commission, the Foster Care Review Board, the Job Training Council, the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. Those will all be referred to Reference for referral to the appropriate Standing Committee, Mr. President. (See pages 89-97 of the Legislative Journal.)

Finally, I have received a communication with respect to the siting for the low-level radio active waste disposal facility. That communication was received from US Ecology, Mr. President. (See page 88 of the Legislative Journal.) All of those reports will be on file in my office subject to review by members upon their request. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. (Gavel.) Ladies and gentlemen, we're ready to begin the introduction of bills and some of you I understand would like to hear what the bills are about, so while I don't wish to spoil your fun and visitation with each other, kindly hold it down so that those that wish to listen to the introduction of the bills may do so. We anticipate that this will probably go on until about noon and, of course, free to do whatever you would like to do. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, the introduction of bills.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills: (Read by title for the first time, LBs 818-878. See pages 97-109 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have amendments to be printed from Senator Rod Johnson to LB 163, LB 39, LB 37. (See pages 110-14 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new bills. (Read by title for the first time, LBs 879-922. See pages 114-23 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have new resolutions: (Read brief description

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LB 818-880
LR 230

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chambers. We have with us this morning as our Chaplain of the day, Pastor Robert Nowak of the Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Nebraska. Would you please rise for the invocation.

PASTOR NOWAK: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Pastor Nowak, we appreciate your being here this morning and announcing the invocation. Please come back and visit us again. Roll call, please.

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

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Do you have any messages, reports or announcements? Mr. Clerk, do you have any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. I have a reference report referring LBs 818-880, signed by Senator Labeledz as Chair of the Reference Committee. I have also a reference report regarding certain gubernatorial appointments made since the last special session. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 135-37 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: We'll move on to number four, the temporary rules.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion. Senator Lynch as Chair of the Rules Committee would move that the rules be adopted for today only, January 4.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. President, members, I couldn't have said it any better. I move the adoption of the (inaudible)...

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Is there any discussion? You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted. We'll move on to the legislative resolutions, LR 230. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 230 was introduced by Senator Withem. It is found on page 124 of the Legislative Journal. (Read brief

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LB 39A, 143, 855A, 860, 1050

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, they are close to their levy limit and the lawsuit is not necessarily based on them reaching their limit, it is just based on the fact that their...of their ability to levy more. So to clear up the situation as far as further litigation goes, we need to pass LB 1050 and that would put in place that all of them could levy up to that limit. They are not required to but they could levy up to that limit.

SENATOR MOORE: But even with the bill as written, Western still needs to levy more than the rest of the districts, correct? I mean, the other way you could solve the levy problem is to pump more money in from the state, correct?

SENATOR BAACK: That is correct.

SENATOR MOORE: And this does not go to that extent to solve that problem?

SENATOR BAACK: No, it does not. It does not..another way of solving the problem would be to lower the levy that everybody can charge, and then just pump more money into Western. Yes, that would be a possibility.

SENATOR MOORE: But this does not solve the problem to that extent?

SENATOR BAACK: It certainly does not.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay, thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any other discussion? Senator Baack, would you care to make any closing statement? Thank you. The question is the advancement of the bill to E & R engrossing. Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. The ayes have it. Motion carried. The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk, have you anything for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Two new A bills, LB 39A. (Read for the first time by title.) LB 855A by Senator Rod Johnson. (Read for the first time by title. See pages 566-67 of the Legislative journal.)

Mr. President, your Committee on Transportation, whose Chair is Senator Lamb, to whom was referred LB 860 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be