

January 4, 1990

LB 259, 259A, 505, 678A, 720A, 969-996
LR 231

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I don't mind.

PRESIDENT: Thank you for being so cooperative. We'll take it up after lunch. Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Mr. President, I move that we recess until one-thirty.

PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. We are recessed until one-thirty. Senator Chambers, we'll take yours up...Senator Chambers, we'll take yours up right after...at one-thirty. Okay.

RECESS

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Members of the Legislature who are hiding out in their offices, appreciate it if you would come to the sanctuary so we can start the service. We already have three members here but we need a few more.

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

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers will be here in a moment, and then we can begin on the...Mr. Clerk, do you want to read in new bills while we are waiting, please?

CLERK: Mr. President, yes, I do. Thank you, new bills. (Read for the first time by title: LB 969-996. See pages 150-57 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have a series of amendments to be printed, Senator Hefner to LR 231, Senator Wesely to LB 720A, LB 678A, Senator Withem to LB 259, LB 259A, and Senator Weihing to LB 505.

Mr. President, I will announce now that there will be a Reference Committee meeting at three o'clock in Room 2101, Reference Committee at three o'clock. 2102. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Ladies and gentlemen, as you will recall, we are on

January 8, 1990

LB 409, 958-1013, 1031, 1032
LR 235

SPEAKER BARRETT: Let's stand at ease until eleven-fifteen, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Okay, thank you.

EASE

CLERK: Three quick announcements. Reference will meet underneath the south balcony now. Referencing Committee, underneath the south balcony right now.

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: (Microphone not activated immediately.) ...return to the Legislative Chamber. The Legislature will reconvene and continue our discussion on the adoption of our permanent rules. Please return to the Legislative Chamber. Mr. Clerk, would you read in new bills, please.

CLERK: (Read LB 1031 and LB 1032 by title for the first time. See pages 198-99 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, in addition to those items, I have a new resolution. (Read brief summary of LR 235. See page 199 of the Journal.) That will be laid over.

I have amendments from Speaker Barrett to be printed to LE 409. Mr. President, I also have a Reference Report referring LBs 958-1013, as well as certain gubernatorial appointments received. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 199-201 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Have you a motion, Mr. Clerk, to reconsider action taken last week?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to reconsider the vote on the Wesely amendment to the rules, which I believe the Legislature discussed on Thursday afternoon.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, this motion is designed to reconsider the vote that was taken on

January 17, 1990

LB 259, 272A, 969, 987, 1041, 1114, 1170-1180
LR 241

CLERK: (Read roll call vote. See page 365 of the Legislative Journal.) 27 ayes, 13 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to suspend the rules.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. The call is raised. Do you have anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. Yes, I do, Mr. President. Mr. President, a notice of hearing from the Natural Resources Committee, signed by Senator Schmit as Chair. (Re: LB 969, LB 987, LB 1041. See page 365 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have amendments to be printed by Senator Haberman to LB 259. (See page 366 of the Legislative Journal.)

I have a motion from Senator Lamb regarding LB 1114. That will be laid over. (See page 366 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new constitutional amendment, LR 241CA offered by Senator Hall. (Read brief description. See pages 366-67 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 1170-1180 by title for the first time. See pages 367-70 of the Legislative Journal.) That is all that I have, Mr. President. Yes, sir. Mr. President, I guess a reminder, excuse me, Reference Committee at three-thirty. Reference Committee at three-thirty in Room 2102. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Jacky Smith, would you like to adjourn us until nine o'clock tomorrow morning, please?

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. Speaker, I...I don't know what to say. Vote to stay here? I would like to ask that the body be adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. We are adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow. Thank you.

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PRESIDENT: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I respectfully withdraw my request and motion at this time.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Let me make one suggestion here. As far as I was concerned, I did not ever hear of this being challenged before of a parliamentary inquiry and usually I understand that we, the Legislature, go back to Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure when we don't have a specific rule for that. And this is what Mason says. An answer to a parliamentary inquiry is not a decision and, therefore, cannot be appealed. Now, apparently, I made a wrong decision on that and if such a situation...a motion is made on a parliamentary inquiry, I will not accept such a motion. Do I make myself clear? In other words, if you have questioned a ruling of our own rules and that answer is given to you, then you should not challenge the Chair on your own ruling. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Would the Chair indulge at least a clarifying response at this point? If not, I will make another motion so that I can.

PRESIDENT: No, we're going to move on, Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Fine. At some other point, I will respond then, and, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Okay. Do you have something for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, very quickly, if I may. Natural Resources Committee, whose Chair is Senator Schmit, reports LB 969 to General File; LB 987 to General File. Those are signed by Senator Schmit as Chair.

Revenue Committee, Chaired by Senator Hall, reports LB 896 to General File, and LB 965, General File. Those are signed by Senator Hall.

Government Committee gives notice of hearing, as does Health and Human Services.

Mr. President, amendments to be printed. LB 369, Senator Lamb

CLERK: Mr. President, 834 was a bill introduced by Senator Haberman. (Read title.) Introduced on January 3 of this year, referred to the Retirement Systems Committee, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, as it stands now a state employee, to join the State Retirement System, must be 25 years old with 12 months of service. So we take a young person that gets out of high school, they're 18. Possibly they don't care to go on to college, but they're good with computers, they're good secretaries, they want to go down to the local district office of the state highway patrol, get a job. So this young person gets a job at 18 and then they have to wait seven years before they can join the retirement system. I think that's wrong. Let's take a young person, they get out of high school at 18, they go to a tech school, they pick up a skill there, whatever it might be, mechanics or drawing or architecture, whatever it is, they go to work for the State of Nebraska at 20-years-old and they have to wait five years before they can join the retirement system. I think that's wrong. Let's take someone that goes to college. When they get out of college they are 22-years-old. They want to go to work for the State of Nebraska. They get the job, then they find out they have to wait three years before they can join the retirement system. I feel, and I know you feel that that is wrong also. Now we want to keep the young people in Nebraska, yet we are penalizing them, we penalize them when they want to go to work for the State of Nebraska, be it highways, social services, Department of Agriculture, Correctional Services, Department of Education, Health Department or what have you. So the bill simply changes the 25 years age to 20 years, then they can voluntarily join after they have worked for the state for 12 months. I ask for the passage of LB 834, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? Questions? If not, those in favor of the advancement of LB 834 to E & R please vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 834.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 834 advances. Proceeding then to LB 987.

CLERK: 987, Mr. President, offered by Senator Schmit. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 4 of this year, referred to Natural Resources. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, this bill establishes the State Government Recycling Management Act. It is designed to deal with state government refuse and the most energy and resource setting manner. It is going to transfer from the Department of Administrative Services to the State Energy Office that responsibility and the purpose of the proposal is to encourage the recycling of government materials which...such as paper, paperboard, aluminum, metals, et cetera, little glass and so forth that does accumulate within the area of state government. It is a low budget item of about \$36,000. A bill I believe, and any money that is earned from the collection and sale of this, of these resources are to be credited to the General Fund. Any other questions, I'd be glad to try to answer them.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Discussion? Senator Morrissey, followed by Senator Johnson.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, members, Senator Schmit, I support the bill. I do read there in the fiscal note, it says the State Energy Office estimates .11 FTE of their own personnel would be required to implement and oversee this act. Now the existing state coordinator will identify how it should be done and in the State Energy Office employees will administer and implement the act.

SENATOR SCHMIT: That is right, Senator Morrissey. I would assume that at the present time there is some energy being used to operate it under the Department of Administrative Services. I don't suppose there is a net energy loss or gain in the standpoint of it: individual administration by the transfer, but it does provide for a little over a tenth of a person to administer that proposal in the State Energy Office.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Okay, thank you. And then my problem was that to administer I could see the .11 and...but to identify the program it would take to identify and collect the paper, paperboard, aluminum and other metals, yard waste, glass, tires

and oil and plastic, that's what I didn't think could be done by that .11 employee and, thus, Monte McKillip (phonetic) would probably be doing that.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I really don't know who would do it, Senator.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Okay, but it...I, again, I support the bill and I'm just trying to get a couple questions answered and I'll talk to you later on those, so we don't delay the bill. Thank you, sir.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Fine, thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Johnson, please.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President, I'd just ask Senator Schmit a question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Would you respond, sir?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, of course.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Senator, does this include styrofoam products as well?

SENATOR SCHMIT: I think we exempted styrofoam because you already took care of that, Senator.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Okay, thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any other discussion? If not, anything further, Senator Schmit?

SENATOR SCHMIT: No, I could add Senator Rod Johnson's name to the bill if he'd like to have it added, since it's probably the major energy resource recovery act of the session, right, Senator Johnson? I move the bill be advanced, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: You've heard the closing. Those in favor of the advancement of the bill please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Senator Schmit, we do have an A bill. Would you handle that as well? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 987.

February 20, 1990 LB 978, 987, 987A

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 987 advances. The A bill, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: LB 987A by Senator Schmit. (Read title.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Mr. Chairman.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, the A bill appropriates \$8,600 from the Resource Recovery Fund and it for the fiscal year '89-90, \$36,000 from the Resource Recovery Fund for '90-91 and the same amount for '91-92. That is supposed to cover the expenditures. There is some revenue that is generated that goes to the General Fund. I move the advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Questions, discussion? If not, those in favor of the advancement of the A bill please vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 987A.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The A bill advances. LB 988.

CLERK: LB 978, Mr. President...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Correction, 978.

CLERK: ...was a bill offered by Senator Pirsch. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 4, referred to Judiciary, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, LB 978 gives residents, purchasers or lessees of lands or units in a retirement subdivision or community the opportunity to democratically select and designate one or more individuals, not to exceed one-third of the other members of the governing body, to represent the residents, purchasers and lessees and to act as members of the governing body of the corporation. Representatives have the right to be present at all meetings including committee meetings and executive sessions of the governing body. LB 978 also allows those representatives to vote on any of the business to come before the governing

February 22, 1990 LB 313, 579, 688, 830, 831, 834, 888
917, 923, 932, 938, 946, 954, 978
987, 987A, 994, 994A, 1037, 1067, 1077
1080, 1080A, 1094, 1102, 1109, 1165, 1178
1217
LR 259

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. We have with us this morning for our invocation, Reverend Dr. Norman E. Leach who is the Executive Director of the Lincoln Interfaith Forum. Would you please rise for the invocation?

REVEREND LEACH: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Dr. Leach, we appreciate your being here this morning. Please come back. Roll call, please. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

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

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Any corrections to the Journal today?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 1080 and recommend that same be placed on Select File, LB 1080A, LB 1094, LB 688, LB 579, LB 994, LB 994A, LB 830, LB 938, LB 834, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 978, LB 888, LB 917, LB 946, LB 954, LB 1077, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 831, LB 932, LB 1178, LB 1102, LB 1109, LB 1165 and LB 1217, all reported to Select File, some have E & R amendments attached. (See pages 904-08 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, amendments to be printed, Senator Crosby to LB 923, Senator Coordsen to LB 313. (See page 908 of the Legislative Journal.)

New resolution by Speaker Barrett. (Read brief description of LR 259. See pages 908-09 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over.

A series of appointment letters from the Governor. Those will be referred to the Reference Committee for confirmation hearing.

Finally, Mr. President, a report from the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. That will be on file in my

February 28, 1990 LB 834, 938, 987A, 987

CLERK: LB 938, Senator, I have no amendments to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Chairman Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 938 be advanced to E & R Final.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall LB 938 be advanced? All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. The bill is advanced. LB 834, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: LB 834, Senator, I have no amendments to the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 834 be advanced to E & R Final.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Any discussion? Seeing none, those in favor of the advancement of the bill say aye. Opposed no. The ayes have it, carried. The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk, LB 987.

CLERK: LB 987, Senator, I have Enrollment and Review amendments pending.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay, please.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 987.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Discussion Shall the E & R amendments be adopted? Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. They are adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on that bill, Senator.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President, I move that LB 987 as amended be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question is the advancement of LB 987. Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. The bill is advanced. LB 987A, Mr. Clerk.

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LB 163A, 579, 642, 830, 831, 834, 888
917, 932, 938, 946, 954, 978, 987
987A, 989, 994, 994A, 1037, 1067, 1077
1102, 1178, 1222

PRESIDENT: Okay, Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President and members, there was some confusion about whether the A bill or at least Senator Schimek's amendment was necessary. But I think, with the adoption of my earlier amendment this morning, it clarifies a lot of those problems. And, in talking with my legal staff who has talked with the Fiscal Office, they seem to feel there is no need for any amendments to the A bill and the A bill should stay as it's currently written. So I would just move for the bill's advancement.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Morrissey, please. No. Did you wish a closing, Senator Rod Johnson? The question is the advancement of the A bill. All in favor vote aye...say aye. Opposed nay. It is advanced. Things for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and reviewed LB 579 and find the same correctly engrossed; LB 830; LB 831; LB 834; LB 888; LB 917; LB 932 and LB 938, LB 946; LB 954; LB 978, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 994, LB 994A, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 1077, LB 1102 and LB 1178, those all reported correctly engrossed, Mr. President.

Senator Ashford has amendments to LB 642 to be printed; and Senator Smith to LB 1222. (See pages 1074-78 of the Legislative Journal.)

Government Committee reports LB 989 to General File, Mr. President. That's all that I have.

PRESIDENT: Senator Byars, please.

SENATOR BYARS: I would move we would recess until one thirty this afternoon.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. We are recessed until one-thirty.

RECESS

March 7, 1990

LB 954, 978, 987A, 987

from Davenport, Northside Elementary, Brugh School, Fremont, Nebraska, with their teachers. Would you people please stand and be recognized. Welcome. We're happy to have you with us this morning. Mr. Clerk, LB 954.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 954 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 954 pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 1214 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 954 passes. LB 978.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 978 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 978 pass? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1214-15 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 43 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 978 passes. LB 987E.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 987E on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 987, with the emergency clause attached, pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1215-16 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 5 excused and not voting.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 987E passes. LB 987AE.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 987AE on Final Reading.)

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LB 315, 579, 830, 831, 888, 917, 922
932, 938, 954, 978, 987, 987A, 1037
1059, 1067, 1077, 1102, 1113, 1178, 1199
LR 270

Legislative Journal.) The vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1077 passes. LB 1102.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 1102 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 1102 pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1219-20 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1102 passes. The final bill on Final Reading, LB 1178.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 1178 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 1178 pass? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1120-21 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1178 passes. The call is raised. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do sign LB 938, LB 932, LB 917, LB 888, LB 831, LB 830, LB 579, LB 1199, LB 922, LB 954, LB 978, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 1178, LB 1102, LB 1077. Mr. Clerk, have you matters for the record?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President, thank you. Amendments to be printed to LB 1059 by Senator McFarland; Senator Wesely to LB 1113 and LB 315. (See pages 1221-22 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a new resolution, LR 270, offered by Senator Peterson. (Read brief description of LR 270. See pages 1222-23 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

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LB 42A, 81, 220A, 369A, 579, 830, 831
863, 880A, 888, 917, 922, 923A, 932
938, 954, 956, 978, 987, 987A, 1013
1022, 1037, 1050, 1067, 1077, 1090A, 1102
1136, 1178, 1199, 1222

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You have heard the motion by Senator Wesely to recess until one-thirty. All in favor say aye. Opposed no. Carried. We are recessed. (Gavel.)

RECESS

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Roll call. Record, Mr. Clerk.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Anything for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Bills read on Final Reading, this morning, have been presented to the Governor as of 12:15 p.m. (Re. LB 1022, LB 81, LB 956, LB 1050, LB 863, LB 938, LB 932, LB 917, LB 888, LB 831, LB 830, LB 579, LB 1199, LB 922, LB 954, LB 978, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 1178, LB 1102, and LB 1077.)

Your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports LB 1018, LB 1136, LB 1222, LB 42A, LB 220A, LB 369A, LB 880A, LB 923A, LB 1090A to Select file, some of which have Enrollment and Review amendments attached, Mr. President. (See pages 1233-36 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Perhaps a very brief announcement from the Chair regarding our deliberations tomorrow. It is my hope that we can work through the lunch hour tomorrow, with the thought in mind that we can adjourn a little early tomorrow for the long weekend. It's my intent, at the present time, to work through the noon hour tomorrow, and look toward an early adjournment tomorrow afternoon. Contrary to previous statements made by the Chair, it will not be my intent to schedule appropriations bills tomorrow, budget bills tomorrow. We will be looking at them, probably, Monday or Tuesday of next week. We will continue with the agenda tomorrow with some Final Reading, probably some Select File, and perhaps senator priorities on General File. Any questions? Mr. Clerk, would you bring us up-to-date.

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LB 81, 579, 830, 831, 863, 888, 905A
917, 922, 932, 938, 954, 956, 978
987, 987A, 1022, 1031, 1037, 1050, 1067
1077, 1102, 1178, 1199
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communication regarding signing of LB 1022, LB 81, LB 956, LB 1050, LB 863, LB 922, LB 1199, LB 579, LB 830, LB 831, LB 888, LB 917, LB 932, LB 938, LB 954, LB 978, LB 987, LB 987A, LB 1037, LB 1067, LB 1077, LB 1102, and LB 1178. See page 1306 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new A bill, LB 905A by Senators Johnson, Dennis Byars and Scofield. (Read by title for the first time. See page 1307 of the Legislative Journal.)

Notice of cancellation of hearing by the Government Committee.

New resolution by Senator Robak. That will be laid over. (LR 279 appears on page 1307 of the Legislative Journal.) That's all that I have, Mr. President.

Mr. President, I now have a series of amendments to both the committee amendments and the bill. The first amendment to the committee amendments that I have is by Senator Smith. Senator Smith's amendment is found on page 1195 of the Journal, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Smith, please.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body, you have a very simple amendment before you, AM2659, in the Journal. It's simply asking, and I do want to, I guess, begin by thanking the Appropriations Committee for the recommendation that they have made for a \$212,000 increase to programs, which are being provided under the Community Aging Services Act, commonly known as CASA. This amount though is about a seventh of the amount of money that was originally requested and we can go back in history a little bit, and you have been handed a fact sheet on CASA which is...you will see it appears to be a little thing with a little State of Nebraska and the breakdown of the eight area agencies in the state, which was handed out by the Nebraska Association of Area Agencies on Aging, telling you all about what CASA is, the historic information about CASA, what the problem is, and so on. And you will recall that the Community Aging Services Act was enacted by the Legislature in 1982. It was intended to provide comprehensive aging service programs throughout Nebraska by 1984. At that time, the cost to the state was supposed to be a little over \$2.5 million. Well, we all know that, as many times as I have talked about this, the money was not funded, it was partially funded, and what even