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LB 75, 89, 89A, 147, 177, 177A, 272A
311, 362A, 377, 487, 487A
LR 224, 225, 226

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 362A passes. LB 377.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 377 on Final reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 377 become law? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 2702-03 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is: 48 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 377 passes. Matters for the record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Enrolling Clerk has presented to the Governor bills read...some of the bills read on Final Reading this morning. (See page 2703 regarding LB 147, LB 487, LB 487A, LB 75, LB 89, LB 89A, LB 177 and LB 177A.)

Mr. President, LB 311 is reported correctly enrolled.

Mr. President, new resolutions. LB 224 by Senator Conway. (Read brief description of LR 224 as found on pages 2703-04 of the Legislative Journal.) LR 225 by Senator...by the Appropriations Committee. (Read brief description of LR 225 as found on pages 2704-06 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over, Mr. President. LR 226 offered by Senators Pirsch, Beck, Hannibal, Ashford, Chizek, Hall, Labedz, Lynch, Abboud and Chambers. (Read brief description of LR 226 as found on pages 2706-07 of the Legislative Journal.) That, as well, will be laid over. That's all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Directing your attention now to the agenda to LB 272AE which we moved over earlier in the day. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion to bracket LB 272A until May 24. That is offered by Senator Landis.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Landis, please.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this is the American Savings, State Securities,

facts that are laid out. I believe that we are serving the state well by passing this resolution, and I would urge its adoption.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of the resolution. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: (Mike off) ...board open.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hannibal.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: May I request to leave the board open just a little longer. I would like to see as many people vote on the issue as possible.

PRESIDENT: Yes, you may, and we will open up for further votes.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: I am not interested necessarily in a record or roll call vote. I would just like to leave it open for a little longer.

PRESIDENT: All right. If you would care to vote on the...all right, let's vote on the resolution, please. All of those who care to please vote on the resolution so we can move on. A record vote has been requested, so please vote if you care to. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See pages 2730-31 of the Legislative Journal.) 38 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. LR 226, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, 226 offered by Senator Pirsch and a number of members congratulating Mr. Jack Hallstrom for his contribution in his educational years.

PRESIDENT: Senator Pirsch, please.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the body, this is to honor a man who came to Omaha in 1951 to stay a year, and has stayed through many levels of the education in the Omaha Public Schools. Jack Hallstrom is kind of unique. He has been the principal at the elementary, junior high, and senior high school level in Omaha for 29 years, including serving as principal at Northwest High School, which is in my district in

Omaha, for 18 years, and he opened the school in 1971. I had four daughters that attended Northwest High School so I got to know Jack very well. He also has been active in many civic and community activities in our area of the city. He has done an excellent and dedicated job as both a teacher and administrator in education for lo these many years, 37 years exactly, and I think it is proper and fitting that we honor him in this way. He is going to remain in Omaha with his five children and ten grandchildren, and we look forward to seeing Jack in...still keeping an interest in education and perhaps expanding his community interests as well. To that end, I urge that you adopt this resolution and, also, that a copy of this resolution be presented to Jack Hallstrom at his retirement dinner on June 2nd, 1989. With that, Mr. President, I urge they vote for the resolution.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hartnett, please, followed by Senator Lynch.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. President, members of the body, I commend Senator Pirsch for bringing this resolution because I have known Jack Hallstrom for a number of years, and when I went to the community of Bellevue in 1958 as an administrator and worked mainly with the junior high school, I think he was a person I was able to call on and get advice because he was regarded, at that time, as an outstanding junior high administrator. I think he has worked at Northwest High School, has also been recognized as an outstanding high school administrator. So I think this is a nice recognition for an outstanding educator, and I think people like Jack Hallstrom is one of the reasons that we have outstanding schools in Nebraska.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lynch, please.

SENATOR LYNCH: Yeah, Mr. President and members, some of you may remember what I said about school administrators and boards a few days ago. I just want to let you know this is one administrator I think deserves this honor.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the resolution. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. LR 227, please.

CLERK: LR 227, Mr. President, offered by Senators Scofield, Lowell Johnson and Lamb found on page 2716 commends the work of Mr. Tom Allan.

PRESIDENT: Senator Scofield, please.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Thank you, Mr. President and members. For some time now I have thought that we should recognize in this Legislature a person who has done more, I think, to teach Nebraskans about Nebraska than perhaps anybody else I know, and I, of course, knew of Tom Allan long before I came into the Legislature, as I am sure you did, but I was I guess reminded of this over the weekend when I pulled an article out of the Omaha World-Herald where Tom Allan is talking about Nebraska roads and scenic spots and not too many days before that Tom Allan had been out making Senator Lamb famous with branding at the Paxton Ranch, which is just a couple of recent examples of the kinds of fine writing that Tom Allan has performed for this state with no formal recognition, although much informal appreciation by this Legislature. But it was my thought that it is time to say something formally to Tom Allan about the positive force that he is for this state. Not only does he teach us about ourselves and about the back roads and the small towns and the big towns and the people that live in Nebraska, and just the kind of state we are, but he has always done it in a very positive way, and in a way that that message can carry outside of the state that I think does this state proud. I think in a state often that is too often plagued with east-west divisions and rural-urban splits, there is probably no one out there whose writing has done any more to bring us together as a state than Tom Allan has. And so I think it is fitting that we pass this resolution to not only show him appreciation but encourage him to keep doing the wonderful job that he has done in this state. From what we can tell, he has worked for the World-Herald for 42 years and he has been doing the over-the-road kind of reporting that he does for 33 of those years. In fact, Betty Warner told me at one time that she thought Charles Kuralt was CBS's answer to Tom Allan, and I would agree with that. We owe a great debt to Tom Allan for what he does for the state, for our image of ourselves, for our understanding as a people, and I would urge you to adopt this amendment. I would ask that anyone interested add your name to the resolution, I think it would be

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Health Center with...for the majority of community based outpatient programs as well. Any efforts which you might take...make toward reversing this decision would be appreciated." How much time do I have?

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR PETERSON: Okay. I am sure the patients who cannot speak for themselves and who will benefit from treatment with 34 beds addition will thank you very much and I pray that you will not fail them. I ask for adoption and override of this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hefner is the next speaker but may I introduce some guests in the north balcony first who are guests of Senator Morrissey. We have 19 fourth graders from Sacred Heart School in Falls City and their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting us today. Senator Hefner, followed by Senator Warner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I believe I will keep my remarks brief. I just wanted to talk to you a little bit about this. Senator Peterson explained it fairly well but let me call your attention to seven, eight years ago when the Norfolk Regional Center was scheduled to close or this was what...this was the proposal and, of course, at that time we fought it and we won the battle and ever since we have kept it open it has been full or nearly full and now we have a very critical need for more beds. And so this is why we're proposing to override the Governor's veto. We figured that maybe she would leave it into the budget because the need was great. Senator Labedz was saying what her priorities were a little earlier. Senator Labedz, this is my number one priority and I hope that you and the other senators can support it. But the need is great, not only for northeast Nebraska but way down to the Omaha area and other parts of the state. So, at this time, I would encourage you to vote for the override.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Warner, you're next, but while the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 223, LR 224, LR 225 and LR 226 and LR 228. Senator Warner, please, followed by Senator Dierks.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature,