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LB 257, 871, 888, 890, 894, 909, 917
924, 932, 946, 954, 978, 990, 992
1018, 1028, 1046, 1047, 1079, 1080, 1085
1104, 1107, 1115, 1118, 1162-1169
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Services Committee, all signed by their respective chairs. (Re: LB 1104, LB 992, LB 894, LB 1028, LB 932, LB 909, LB 1079, LR236, LB 1115, LB 1107, LB 890, LB 924, LB 990, LB 1118, LB 978, LB 1018, LB 871, LB 1046, LB 1047, LB 917, LB 1085, LB 954, LB 946, LB 888, LB 1080. See pages 358-59 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, new bills. (Read LBs 1162-1169 by title for the first time. See pages 359-60 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a new resolution by Senators Moore and Hall. (LR 240.) It would propose an amendment to Article VII, Section 10 of the State Constitution. That will be referred to Reference Committee, Mr. President. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 361-62 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you. We'll move on to Select File, number 2, LB 257. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, 257 is on Select File. The first order of business are Enrollment and Review amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Baack, would you handle that, please.

SENATOR BAACK: Sure, I would move that the E & R amendments be adopted.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first amendment I have to the bill is by Senator Pirsch. I have a note that she wants to withdraw, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Pirsch, are you present?

CLERK: She's excused, I believe, Mr. President, until she arrives.

PRESIDENT: Okay, she is present somewhere. We'll withdraw them and check to make sure that's correct.

CLERK: The next amendment, Mr. President, is by Senator Withem. Senator, your amendment is on page...well, it was printed last year.

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LB 87, 159, 163, 163A, 220, 240, 257
313, 315, 397, 399, 486, 488, 488A
756, 856, 911, 963, 1002, 1026, 1033
1037, 1050, 1051, 1090, 1108, 1109, 1141
1168, 1181, 1190
LR 239, 240

PRESIDENT: Okay. Thank you. Senator Ashford, you are next, but may I introduce some guests under the south balcony, please. We have from District 22, which is Senator Robak's district, Dianne Foltz of Platte Center and Betty Grant of Columbus, Nebraska. With them are three AFS students, Jean/David Miquel of Paris, France, and Patty Cervantes from Bolivia, and Shane Walker from Australia. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Mr. Clerk, you have something for the record?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President, very quickly. Enrollment and Review reports LB 163 to Select File, LB 163A to Select File, those signed by Senator Lindsay as Chair. Agriculture Committee, whose Chair is Senator Rod Johnson, reports LB 856 to General File. (See page 429 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Coordsen, as Chair of the Business and Labor Committee, has selected LB 313 and LB 315 as the committee priority bills for the year. And Enrollment and Review reports LB 87, LB 220, LB 240, LB 257, LB 397, LB 399, LB 486, LB 488, LB 488A, LB 756 all correctly engrossed. Those signed by Senator Lindsay as Chair. (See pages 430-33 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, notice of hearings from the Education Committee and from the Natural Resources Committee, signed by the respective chairs. (Re: LB 1190, LB 1181, LB 1168, LB 911, LB 1050, LB 1090, LB 1033, LB 1037, LB 963, LB 1026, LB 1108, LB 1109, LB 1141, LB 1002, LB 1051, LR 239 and LR 240.) And Senator Haberman has amendments to be printed to LB 163. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 433-34 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Ashford, did you wish to speak on the first set of Kristensen amendments?

SENATOR ASHFORD: I call the question.

PRESIDENT: Oh, you call the question. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor....Do I see five hands, first? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. What do you think, Senator Ashford? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 16 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

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1184, 1201
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little slower than what the original bill proposed.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Mr. Clerk, do you have something you'd like to read in at this time?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. Very quickly, two new resolutions. (Read brief descriptions of LR 254 and LR 255. See pages 770-71 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Government Committee reports LB 1107 to General File with amendments, LB 1172 General File with amendments, those signed by Senator Baack. Education reports LB 913 indefinitely postponed, LB 1201 indefinitely postponed, LR 240CA indefinitely postponed, those signed by Senator Withem. And Government reports LB 1184 to General File with amendments. Amendments to be printed to LB 520 by Senator Schellpeper, Senator Kristensen to LB 159 and Senator Beck to LB 163. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 773-77 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Haberman, you are next followed by Senator Schmit.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, in my 12 years in the Legislature I have had very, very, very few occasions to agree and be on the same side as Senator Chambers, so this is a new for me. I do agree with Senator Chambers' amendment, cutting the 7 percent to 5 percent as this would still end up a 53 percent increase in 11 years. Although I do not subscribe to some of the other thoughts that Senator Chambers had about judges, I would like to put in the record that I do subscribe to his amendment in cutting the 7 percent to 5 percent as a 53 percent increase in 11 years is a considerable amount of increase and I do support that part of his amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, please, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, you know I always wish some time that I could be on an issue that is riding the wave of popularity. It seems to me like I'm either ahead or behind of the power curve all the time. One of my concerns many years ago, and Senator Chambers addressed that concern with me, was the drug problem. You go back and check the record, it was

reflected in LR 239 as it initially was proposed, as amended by the committee, with the change in structure and then there would be a separate provision which the public could consider whether or not the student voting member should also be approved in the Constitution. It would seem to me that then for the student right to vote would depend upon both provisions of the Constitution being amended, that is the one change in the structure would have to be approved as well as the one for voting of students. But it seems to me that this is an issue which has come up frequently whether or not students should have a right to vote on the governing board ought to be a separate and distinct issue and not become embroiled in the issue of structure itself. It's an issue that deserves, because of its importance, to be treated individually and separately and not thrown into the other structural changes that is proposed by the constitutional amendment. So it does not...the amendment does not strike the provision in any way, shape or form as to the possibility of the student's voting rights, it merely places it as a separate item on the ballot along with the balance of the provisions of LR 239, as originally introduced in reflecting the recommendations of the consultants.

SPEAKER BARRETT: For discussion of the Warner amendment, Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: On the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members, I rise to oppose Senator Warner's amendment and I do so with caution, I guess, because I realize that if, indeed, the Warner amendment was adopted, at least I would have the opportunity to get an issue that I think is important on the ballot. But I think, for a variety of reasons, I rise to oppose Senator Warner's amendments. Now for those of you that have followed the issue, yes, I did introduce LR 240 and LR 240, by itself, was a resolution that would have put on the ballot whether or not making one member of the student Board of Regents a voting member. That was within the confines of our present system. Well, at that time, you know, I basically said my original intent for introducing LR 240 was the simple fact I think the concept of a student vote should be contained in its overall...in this overhaul of the higher education system. And when I introduced LR 240 I said if, indeed, it's the