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LB 541

rules on your Consent Calendar sheet that the total debate time will be fifteen minutes after which there will be a . . .presumably a vote to advance and that the debating time and vote times will not go beyond that. Very well, Senator Wesely, are you ready to proceed? Mr. Clerk, LB 541. Order in the Chamber, please. (Gavel.)

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 541 was offered by Senator Wesely. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 19. It was referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President, and I have no amendments to the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Order in the Chamber, please.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this bill was brought to me by the podiatrists. It concerns an updating of their law regarding their scope of practice. The bill was introduced. There is strong support for it from the podiatrists who feel that this would modernize their language. We have worked with the Medical Association and we will have an amendment to the bill on Select File that will deal with concerns that they have that I think will meet those concerns. Basically what this bill does is allow for greater flexibility to podiatrists and they have been restricted in areas that they feel they have confidence and training and this would allow them more flexibility but we will have an amendment again on Select File which will limit that expansion of their authority and I think that you will see that that will be something that will be agreed to. So that is what the bill does and I would ask its advancement at this time.

PRESIDENT: Is there further discussion on LB 541? If not, the motion is to advance the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Please record your vote. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

PRESIDENT: The motion carried. The bill is advanced. We are skipping over a couple of bills and we come to LB 375.