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LB 682, 471

SENATOR LANDIS: I will waive closing and I will be happy to meet with any interested party between now and Select File on 682.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance 682, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: 682 is advanced. LB 471.

CLERK: Mr. President, 471 introduced by Senators Warner, Marsh, Goodrich, Lowell Johnson, Wagner, Kahle, Morehead, Howard Peterson and Kilgarin. (Read title.) The bill was read on January of this year. It was referred to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. It was introduced I guess last year, Mr. President, excuse me. It was referred to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, advanced to General File. There are Government Committee amendments pending.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, two bills were introduced on the Nebraska Collection Agency Board last year. One of them did away with the Board and improved the bond by many, many fold. The other one was the provisions by the collection agency people themselves who wanted to continue the Board. The committee adopted a middle road. They changed the bond provisions somewhat and strengthened them. And, secondly, they did away with the Board but permitted the Secretary of State to use these people in a consultive fashion. Allen Beermann came in and said, I have gotten lots of good use, lots of good information and lots of good advice from these people and I think the Board has a very relevant place. The committee's opinion, however, was that the Board itself should not have the official power to agree to who was going to enter into this industry, that, in fact, if that license was to be granted, it should be granted by a public official. And for