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amendments. Let me just summarize by saying there is a need for this. No satisfactory options other than 970 appear to be available to us at this time. It is, let me remind you, only enabling legislation. We are not committing ourselves to spending millions of dollars to increase programs at this point and, as one Senator has mentioned, discussions and negotiations will continue and I commit myself personally to assuring that those kinds of discussions continue among the various institutions to provide access at the most reasonable cost to taxpayers. And with that, I urge you to advance LB 970.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record vote has been asked for. Have you all voted? A record vote has been asked so if you care to vote, please do so now. Thank you. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read the record vote as found on pages 1300-01 of the Legislative Journal.) 32 ayes, 5 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The bill advances. Okay, we will move on to LB 915.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 915 introduced by Senator Hefner. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 9. It was referred to the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee. It was advanced to General File, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, LB 915 prohibits any person from accepting, transmitting or delivering directly or indirectly any horse race wager outside any horse racetrack to be placed for a wager inside any track. In other words, it would be illegal to collect money from people that do not attend the races and place bets at horse racetracks in Nebraska. The intent of this bill is to eliminate the so-called messenger service in our state. It is happening more than we realize. It is becoming very popular in Nebraska. However, in 1977 this