

CLERK: (Read title.) The bill was first read on January 10, referred to the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I do have Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee amendments pending.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Goodrich, are you going to handle the committee amendments?

SENATOR GOODRICH: I think we'll have...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Barrett.

SENATOR GOODRICH: ...member of the committee around?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Rex Haberman, are you going to handle the committee amendments on this 101? Senator Higgins, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. Chairman, if the Vice-Chairman does not want to handle it, as a member of that committee I would be happy to handle the amendment, unless the Vice-Chair wants to take it.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay. He says it is all right for you to handle them, Senator Higgins. Thank you for offering.

SENATOR HIGGINS: The amendment would strictly just add, to the present Real Estate Commission, two lay members so that the public would have more representation on the Nebraska State Real Estate Commission. Presently we only have one lay member on that Commission. There are six members and all of them are in the real estate business. So this is all the amendment does is give a little more balance to the Real Estate Commission Board so that we would have more representation of the laity. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You've heard the explanation on the committee amendments. Is there any other discussion? Senator Goodrich. Oh, Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Mr. President, I am not...haven't had that much time to look at the bill. But I think I must rise in opposition. As I understand the amendment it adds two lay persons to the Real Estate Commission. It is my