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PRESIDENT MCGINLEY PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: (Mike not turned on immediately.) ...so that we may begin this afternoon's session. Roll call is in progress in the Legislative Chamber. Members, please come in and record your presence. Record the roll, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: A quorum is present. (Gavel.) The Legislature is in session. Do you have anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, just one item. I have a reference report referring certain study resolutions to the appropriate Standing and/or Special Committees as designated by the Executive Board and that is all that I have. (Report appears on pages 2402-03 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Very well. The Chair would like to announce that Senator Beyer has guests in the north balcony. They are 37 fourth graders from Springfield Elementary School in Springfield, Nebraska, and their teacher is along with them. Senator Conway has guests in the north balcony who are 35 fourth through sixth graders from Newcastle Public School in northeastern Nebraska, Newcastle, Nebraska, with their two sponsors along with them. If you'd all stand, we'd like to recognize you and thank you for coming down today visiting your Nebraska Legislature. Now we go to the agenda of Select File for this afternoon. For the benefit of the visitors, the Chair might explain that we were discussing mainly budget bills this afternoon, individual budget requests and desires in the form of amendments, so that is what we will be discussing this afternoon. What surprises do you have for us, Mr. Clerk, on LB 722?

CLERK: Mr. President, the Legislature last considered 722 on Friday. At that time there was pending an amendment offered by the Appropriations Committee. It is part of the package AM1414. When the Legislature adjourned they were discussing specifically Section 15 of that amendment. That is found starting on page 4 of that amendment. It relates to the Department of Social Services and elimination of the