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LB 131A, 310, 1009, 1110

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, never mind. I'll wait until we get to a different point on that bill. That's all right.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Any further discussion on the A bill? If not, the question is the advancement of the A bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the A bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The A bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk, do you have anything to put in the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, yes, sir, I do. Your Committee on Retirement Systems reports LB 1110 to General File, and Health and Human Services reports 1009 to General File, both signed by the respective chairs. That is all that I have. (See page 1145 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: We'll move on to LB 310.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 310 was a bill introduced by Senator Schmit. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 17 of last year, was referred to Public Works for public hearing, advanced to General File. There are Public Works Committee amendments pending.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I would like to suggest to you that on your desk there is a copy of an explanation of the bill and of the committee amendments. The committee amendments are the bill. I would like to explain the amendment in some detail and give you some of the reasons why I believe you should pass LB 310 as amended, which is now known as the water well drillers' licensing bill. I'd like to emphasize, if I could momentarily, we have heard much criticism of this body relative to the fact that there is a certain perception of the public that we have not done anything, or we have not done enough, to protect the quality of groundwater in the State of Nebraska. I seriously disagree with that contention, and I pointed out on a number of occasions, as