

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, the next two are Government Committee bills brought to us by DAS and are premised on the same notion that computer technology has moved with a rapidity that allows some of the old guidelines or deadlines, in financial transactions, to be changed. The first one, 929, provides that the State Treasurer notify DAS of funds available in the General Fund for the issuance of certain warrants the business day proceeding the day that the warrants should be drawn. Currently there is a 10 to 25 days prior obligation for the State Treasurer to notify the director. But because of the computer technology, that time lag is no longer necessary. The statutes should reflect what we are able to do in these financial transactions. That is where the bill makes the change. I would request for the advancement of 929.

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 the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The bill is advanced. LB 930.

CLERK: LB 930, introduced by the Government Committee. (Read title.) It was first read on January 10, referred to the Government Committee, advanced to General File. I have no amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis, please.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, 930 was brought to us by DAS. Currently the DAS director must wait 30 days before providing a second check, or a duplicate check, if the first check is lost. However, with the new processing speed that we have, a stop payment order on a duplicate check could be authorized within seven days. As a convenience to state employees who lose their checks, or other people who suffer the loss of a state warrant, the bill changes from 30 days to 7 days the amount of time that DAS must wait prior to issuing a duplicate check. For that reason, I would move the advancement of LB 930.