

SENATOR HALL: Thank you very much. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR HALL: There is nothing further on the bill. Is there anyone who cares to speak to LB 189? The issue is the advancement to E & R Initial. Seeing no lights, Senator Withem, would you care to close?

SPEAKER WITHEM: I would just simply indicate that I think the data has been...the case has been made for all three of these judges. I did have an opportunity the other day to point out some information relative to Sarpy County Juvenile Court, it is on your desk. I guess I would ask Senator Crosby, who made this her priority bill, or Senator Avery, if either of them would like to share some of the closing. Senator Crosby waives off. Senator Avery? I simply move the advancement of the bill.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Withem. You've heard the motion. The motion is to advance LB 189 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 189

SENATOR HALL: LB 189 is advanced. Next item on the agenda, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 172, a bill introduced by Senator Wesely. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 6. At that time it was referred to the Health Committee for hearing. It was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR HALL: I am sorry, Mr. Clerk. Senator Wesely, if you'd care to open on your bill, LB 172.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Moved kind of quickly there. I apologize. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, LB 172 is a bill that deals with a very important issue, and that is the question of a court case that was decided last year that changed dramatically the way in which we handle liens on cases involving hospital claims and other medical claims. We had legislation a