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LB 344, 369, 369A, 455, 613  
LR 260

CLERK: Thank you, Senator. The appointment, gubernatorial appointment list, or I should say letter, will be referred to Reference. Senator Schellpeper, amendments to LB 344; Senator Warner to LB 613. Enrollment and Review reports LB 369, LB 369A as correctly engrossed. And a new resolution, Madam President, or Mr. President, excuse me, LR 260 by Senator Robinson. (Read brief explanation.) That will be laid over. (See pages 2468-75 of the Legislative Journal.)

Senator Bohlke, I now have FA273 involving the Department of Labor cataloging job training resources. (See page 2475 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes, Mr. President and members, this has been something that the roundtable, that I know that Senator Day worked on and a number of people have been attempting to work on is to get an idea of those jobs that are available, and get the Department of Labor to provide us with that. Here I have the jobs that are available through the Department of Labor in Douglas County. We didn't get those until about a week ago, but the interesting thing, to me at least, was the fact that this only represents 10 percent of the jobs available. And so I haven't had a chance to go through all of these. Prior to getting this, we had asked the Metro Community College, also, for their summary of the jobs available, and very interesting in the jobs that they gave us, actually there were a number of good jobs available. And if...I will have these over on the side underneath the balcony, if any of you want to look at them, but they are jobs that go all the way up to the range of \$41,000, and so the lowest is at 4.50, and there were only two jobs at that. So what, I guess what we are saying is that we do have the capability to come up with jobs available, and if we do eventually add a rural county on, certainly the Department of Labor has indicated to us that those individuals in the rural counties, the businesses actually use the Department of Labor and depend on them for those job openings, and it is quite different than what happens in Douglas County. And that's not saying that these aren't...that these are all jobs. My question also to them, were state vacancies on this list? And the answer is, no. And unfortunately when I asked why, they said because the computers are not compatible. So the jobs are there. Obviously, the ones I think that were presented to us from Metro Community College will be the kinds of jobs that the social