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 LR 14

SENATOR COORDSEN: Bracket motion fails. Items for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, thank you. Senator Coordsen and Jensen have amendments to LB 17 to be printed. Senator Janssen has selected LB 476 as his priority bill. New A bill, (LB) 518A, by Senator Lynch. (Read by title for the first time.) Health reports (LB) 242 to General File with amendments; General Affairs reports (LB) 477, General File with amendments; and Banking reports (LB) 618 to General File with amendments. (See pages 828-836 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Don Pederson would move to amend. (FA43 is found on page 836 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Pederson, to open on your amendment.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Mr. President, members of the body, there's been a lot of talk about what we should do with the constitution and why we should not encumber it. I took a glance at Section 2 of the Constitution of Nebraska and it reads as follows: No person shall be eligible to the office of Governor, or Lieutenant Governor, who shall not have attained the age of thirty years, and who shall not have been for five years next preceding the election a resident and citizen of this state and a citizen of the United States, and then it goes on to other nonpertinent matters. But what I would like to call attention to at this time is that there's a requirement in...in 14CA that says that the candidate for Lieutenant Governor must be a registered voter, and there is no requirement in the constitution at that point for a registered voter and I am, accordingly, asking to amend this by deleting the words "registered voter" and in its stead, put in words "a person." Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Pederson. You've heard the opening. For discussion, Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would like to thank Senator Pederson for bringing this amendment. We do not have such requirement for the Governor candidate that they be a registered voter and this just seems to