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LB 277, 398, 486, 593A, 754A

LB 277.

**SENATOR CUDABACK:** LB 277 does advance. Mr. Clerk, items for the record?

**CLERK:** Mr. President, there will be a Retirement Committee Executive Session at 11 o'clock underneath the south balcony. New A bills, LB 593A by Senator Connealy. (Read title.) Senator Chambers, LB 754A. (Read title.) Senator Baker would move to reconsider the vote to indefinitely postpone LB 486. That will be laid over, Mr. President. That's all that I have at this time. (Legislative Journal page 1306.)

**SENATOR CUDABACK:** Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, next agenda item?

**CLERK:** Mr. President, LB 398, a bill introduced by Senator Suttle. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 8 of this year, referred to the Health and Human Services Committee for a public hearing, advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM0975, Legislative Journal page 1229.)

**SENATOR CUDABACK:** Senator Suttle, you're recognized to open on LB 398.

**SENATOR SUTTLE:** Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. The committee amendments on this are 143 pages, and it...that is down considerably from the original bill. I know all of you have read all of it but just to recap, I will tell you a little bit about what is in the intent of this bill. I...I introduced LB 398 at the request of the Nebraska Pharmacists Association. This bill represents the effort of a task force of pharmacists interested in modernizing and updating the provisions of law which affect the practice of pharmacy. The legislation before you today makes changes in three primary areas: The Uniform Licensing Law, the Uniform Controlled Substances Act and the Pharmacy Practice Act. The change to the Uniform Licensing Law adopts the recommendations from the Nebraska Credentialing Reform for the Year 2000, Professionals, NCR 2000, which pertains to pharmacists. Specifically a new