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LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

**ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION**

FIFTY-FIRST DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Thursday, March 26, 2026

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Hardin.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Bosn.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., Senator Strommen presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Dungan who was excused; and Senators Bostar, M. Cavanaugh, Conrad, DeBoer, Guereca, Hallstrom, and Spivey who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the fiftieth day was approved.

REPORTS

Agency reports electronically filed with the Legislature can be found on the [Nebraska Legislature's website](#).

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1209. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 37 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

MOTION - Suspend Rules

Senator Clements offered his motion, found on page 1206, to suspend Rule 5, Sec. 7(f) and (g) to allow for the A bills for LBs 759, 847, 901, 1101, and 1235, to be indefinitely postponed and for the appropriations for these bills to be contained in LB1209.

The Clements motion to suspend the rules prevailed with 39 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

MOTION - Indefinitely Postpone LBs 759A, 847A, 901A, 1101A, and 1235A

Senator Clements offered his motion, found on page 1207, to indefinitely postpone LB759A, LB847A, LB901A, LB1101A, and LB1235A.

The Clements motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed with 37 ayes, 0 nays, 7 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill was read for the first time by title:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1050A. Introduced by Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 1050, One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026; and to declare an emergency.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1071. Senator Clements renewed [AM2748](#), found on page 1115 and considered on pages 1134, 1140, 1275, and 1291.

Senator Clements renewed [AM2920](#), found on page 1272 and considered on pages 1276 and 1292, to his amendment.

The Clements amendment was withdrawn.

Senator Clements offered [AM2941](#), found on page 1343, to his amendment.

The Clements amendment was adopted with 32 ayes, 0 nays, 13 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Senator Clements offered [AM2944](#), found on page 1343, to his amendment.

The Clements amendment was withdrawn.

Senator Armendariz withdrew the following amendments:

[FA1060](#), found on page 1150, to the Clements amendment.
[FA1061](#), found on page 1150, to the Clements amendment.
[FA1062](#), found on page 1150, to the Clements amendment.
[FA1065](#), found on page 1150, to the Clements amendment.
[FA1066](#), found on page 1150, to the Clements amendment.
[FA1067](#), found on page 1150, to the Clements amendment.
[AM2773](#), found on page 1150, to the Clements amendment.

Senator Kauth withdrew [FA730](#), found on page 367.

The Clements amendment, [AM2748](#), as amended, was adopted with 36 ayes, 0 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Senator McKinney requested a record vote on the advancement of the bill.

Voting in the affirmative, 34:

Andersen	Clouse	Holdcroft	Meyer, G.	Sorrentino
Arch	DeKay	Ibach	Moser	Storer
Armendariz	Dorn	Jacobson	Murman	Storm
Ballard	Dover	Kauth	Raybould	Strommen
Bosn	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Riepe	von Gillern
Brandt	Hansen	Lonowski	Rountree	Wordekemper
Clements	Hardin	Meyer, F.	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 7:

Cavanaugh, J.	Conrad	Hunt	McKinney
Cavanaugh, M.	Guereca	Juarez	

Present and not voting, 6:

DeBoer	Hughes	Quick
Fredrickson	Prokop	Spivey

Excused and not voting, 2:

Bostar	Dungan
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Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment with 34 ayes, 7 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

MOTION(S) - Return LB1072 to Select File

Senator Clements moved to return LB1072 to Select File for his specific amendment, [AM2898](#), found on page 1343.

The Clements motion to return prevailed with 30 ayes, 0 nays, 17 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1072. The Clements specific amendment, [AM2898](#), found on page 1343, was adopted with 33 ayes, 0 nays, 14 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The Clements amendment was adopted with 33 ayes, 0 nays, 14 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

MOTION(S) - Return LB1072 to Select File

Senator Raybould moved to return LB1072 to Select File for the following specific amendment:

[AM2948](#)

(Amendments to Final Reading copy)

- 1 1. Strike sections 112 and 179.
- 2 2. On page 1, line 5; and page 174, line 27, strike "79-1035.01,".
- 3 3. On page 2, line 6, strike "the permanent school fund,".
- 4 4. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the operative date
- 5 accordingly.

Senator Raybould requested a roll call vote on her motion to return.

The Raybould motion to return failed with 11 ayes, 33 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The Raybould amendment, AM2948, was not considered.

MOTION(S) - Return LB1072 to Select File

Senator Raybould moved to return LB1072 to Select File for her specific amendment, [AM2825](#), found on page 1160.

Senator Raybould withdrew her motion to return.

The Raybould amendment, AM2825, was not considered.

Senator M. Cavanaugh requested a machine vote on the advancement of the bill.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Reengrossment with 34 ayes, 9 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1050. Senator Conrad offered [MO442](#), found on page 783, to indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

Senator Murman opened on LB1050.

Senator Conrad opened on MO442.

SENATOR IBACH PRESIDING

Senator Holdcroft moved the previous question. The question is, "Shall the debate now close?" The motion failed with 18 ayes, 2 nays, and 29 not voting.

Senator Conrad asked unanimous consent to withdraw her motion to indefinitely postpone prior to the bill being read.

No objections. So ordered.

Title read. Considered.

Committee [AM2605](#), found on page 1193, was offered.

Senator Conrad offered [MO443](#), found on page 783, to bracket until April 17, 2026.

Senator Conrad asked unanimous consent to withdraw her motion to bracket.

No objections. So ordered.

Senator Conrad offered [MO444](#), found on page 783, to recommit to the Education Committee.

Senator Conrad asked unanimous consent to withdraw her motion to recommit to committee.

No objections. So ordered.

Senator Murman withdrew [FA1108](#), found on page 1198, to the committee amendment.

Pending.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

Gomez, Antonio - State Racing and Gaming Commission - General Affairs

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
Executive Board

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Storer filed the following amendment to LB400:

[FA1123](#)

On page 1, strike the new matter in lines 4 and 5 and insert: "(a) Firefighters only includes professional firefighters;"

Senator DeBoer filed the following amendments to LB935:

[FA1124](#)

Strike Section 7.

[FA1125](#)

Strike Section 8.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 803A. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 803, One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 815A. Introduced by Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 815, One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 838A. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 838, One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 962A. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 962, One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1126A. Introduced by Moser, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 1126, One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1050. Committee [AM2605](#), found on page 1193 and considered in this day's Journal, was renewed.

Senator G. Meyer moved the previous question. The question is, "Shall the debate now close?"

Senator Kauth moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 20 ayes, 0 nays, and 29 not voting.

The motion to cease debate prevailed with 26 ayes, 2 nays, and 21 not voting.

The committee amendment was adopted with 32 ayes, 5 nays, 10 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator Murman withdrew [FA689](#), found on page 321.

Senator Conrad offered [FA1007](#), found on page 782.

The Conrad amendment was withdrawn.

Senator Conrad withdrew [FA1008](#), found on page 782.

Senator Murman moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 37 ayes, 4 nays, and 8 not voting.

Senator Murman requested a roll call vote on his advancement of the bill.

Voting in the affirmative, 26:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Meyer, G.	Storm
Armendariz	Conrad	Hardin	Moser	Wordekemper
Ballard	DeKay	Kauth	Murman	
Bosn	Dorn	Lippincott	Sanders	
Bostar	Dover	Lonowski	Sorrentino	
Clements	Hallstrom	Meyer, F.	Storer	

Voting in the negative, 10:

Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Hunt	Prokop	Raybould
Cavanaugh, M.	Guereca	Juarez	Quick	Riepe

Present and not voting, 11:

Arch	Hughes	McKinney	Strommen
Brandt	Ibach	Rountree	von Gillern
Holdcroft	Jacobson	Spivey	

Excused and not voting, 2:

DeBoer Dungan

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 26 ayes, 10 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Spivey filed the following amendment to LB1050A:

[FA1126](#)

On page 2, line 1 strike "\$850,000" and insert "\$15 million", on line 2 strike "\$800,000" and insert "\$15 million".

Senator M.Cavanaugh filed the following amendment to LB1010:

[AM2910](#)

(Amendments to E and R amendments, ER147)

1 1. On page 21, after line 6 insert the following new subsection:

2 "(7) The owner or operator of a data center shall:

3 (a) Bear all decommissioning costs of such data center; and

4 (b) Enter into a community benefit agreement with communities

5 affected by the data center."; in line 7 strike "(7)" and insert "(8)";

6 and in line 11 strike "(8)" and insert "(9)".

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were members of Jobs for America's Graduates from across the state; students and teacher from St. Patrick's, North Platte; students, teachers, and sponsor from Northeast High School, Lincoln; students from St. Wenceslaus, Wahoo; students from Loveland and Westgate Elementaries, Westside; students from St. John the Baptist, Plattsmouth; students from Cornerstone Christian School, Bellevue; Colleen and Luke Storm, David City; students from Peru State College, Peru; students in Elkhorn Valley FFA.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Dave Hoelting, Pender.

MOTION - Adjournment

Senator Fredrickson moved to adjourn until 9:00 a.m., Monday, March 30, 2026.

Senator Bosn requested a machine vote on the motion to adjourn.

The motion prevailed with 29 ayes, 12 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting, and at 2:09 p.m., the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Monday, March 30, 2026.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

