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CLERK: Read motion.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is a Retirement Committee bill which is a result of an interim study. The purpose of this bill is to adopt a uniform group life and health insurance program for all full-time state employees including those in the University of Nebraska, the State Colleges and Technical Colleges, and it will replace any current insurance programs. The cost to the state is intended to be about \$15.00 per month per employee. The state would pay all the costs of \$5,000 term life insurance policy which would be about \$2.50 a month and the remainder would be applied to a group health insurance policy with the employees contributing the remainder of the cost of the health insurance program. It, also, provides some other opportunities for employees. Now, the Governor has recommended to the agencies of state government that this be put into their budgets and the Budget Committee which has been hearing their budgets has noticed that

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