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move to the general lineup up there which it appears to me begins with LB 219. You can check the worksheet anyway. Now, Senator Burbach. Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: The determination was made that 458 be the first order of business this morning. However, we are going to have a public hearing on LB 467, a companion bill to 458. The public hearing will be held tomorrow before, I believe, it is the Urban Affairs Committee and I would suggest that we hold 458 until such a time we can discuss both bills, one following the other, and so, therefore, I move that we hold 458 for an indefinite period of time until we have an opportunity to discuss 457.

SPEAKER: Stand by. Senator Burbach, I am sorry. I was in a conversation and I missed your motion.

SENATOR BURBACH: I move that we hold 458 for an indefinite time, no time certain, until 467, a bill which will be discussed tomorrow afternoon before a Committee and the two bills are related. Therefore, I would like to have 458 held until we can discuss 467 also.

SPEAKER: OK. Senator Burbach is asking unanimous consent to bracket LB 458 on General File. Are there any objections to bracketing the bill? Hearing none, it is so ordered. Just had a conversation with Senator Syas regarding LB 104. He would like to have that passed over today but he will take up 194. I believe that moves us on General File to LB 219. Ready for the General File consideration of LB 219. The clerk will read the bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, Legislative Bill 219 was read March 5th. A Chambers' amendment was adopted March 5th and we are presently considering an amendment from Senator Carpenter. The amendment reads--read.

SPEAKER: OK, Senator Carpenter, I think we are reorganized now. The chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Mr. President, I move for the adoption of the amendment. Now this amendment, my friend, is far reaching and I would hope and I want to do what I can in order to make you understand the importance of it. I can simplify it by saying that this amendment puts this bill on all levels of state government. That means everybody in the same position this body this year put itself. It means that every subdivision of government of every kind and nature, everything they do is out where the people can see it, and it just seemed to me that if we can do it, they can do it. It's just that simple. I don't know of anybody who is really dissatisfied since we have adopted this in our own case and I don't think a majority would like to go back to the way it was. Now, there is a lot of finagling going on in state government. There is a lot of it going on in schools and counties and cities and particularly in the area of public power districts. I can say this without fear of contradiction that the Omaha Public Power District had meetings that they didn't notify all of the members of the Board where the meetings were. In fact, they did everything to keep them from it. The record will show in the study of the Committee which I chaired that in Executive meetings they didn't even keep records. They didn't even keep minutes in many of them. The record would show that in some cases those who wrote the minutes

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