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an unusual visitor here this morning that I would like to have you recognize, and would like to have you know about. We have Dr. Carlos M. Muniz who is the Ambassador of Argentina to the United States, and Nebraska is not often honored with the presence of an ambassador, he also has with him Dr. Raul Estrada who is the Cultural Attache to Dr. Muniz, and we have Dr. Jose M. Llados, who is the first Secretary of Embassy of Argentina, and they are escorted this morning by Dr. Roberto Esquinazi Mayo of the Latin American Programs Division of the University of Nebraska, they are seated under the north balcony, and I would like to have them rise and step forward and would the legislature please recognize his excellency the Ambassador from Argentina to the United States. Thank you, we are delighted to have you here today, I earlier had arranged with Dr. Muniz for a short amount of time here if he decided to address the body, he has declined to do that in that he has a plane to catch and we are going to ask them now to be escorted back over to the Lt. Governor's office and there is a reception committee over there. We are delighted again to have you here, Dr. Muniz and your attache and also your Cultural Attache first secretary, it's, again not often we are honored by someone of your importance and rank, thank you for coming. Additionally the Chair would like to take just a moment to recognize the presence in the south balcony of fifteen third, fourth, and fifth grade students from Nickerson, Nebraska, they are in Senator Johnson's district and this is Mrs. Herman Carlin is the instructor and I think also we would like to have them rise first and then I have something else I want to do, would the students from Nickerson, Nebraska, please rise, the fifteen there, come on, that's the way, now in addition, Senator Johnson we would like to have you rise because we would like to welcome you officially back to the body here. Now let's give Senator Johnson and the kids from Nickerson a hand. Those of you, who are other spectators here haven't known that Senator Johnson was out with an operation and he has just returned to duty here, we're delighted to have him back, we were saddened this morning to have to learn that yesterday that Senator Kennedy had encountered some physical difficulty but one of these days we are going to get them all well and we are going to have them all back here and we are going to have a real show for you. Don't forget that all this, that you've heard this morning will be replayed on channel 12 tonight, the three hours of debate and activities will be compressed into a thirty minute show, and you know, maybe if you are like I am you always wonder if the replay will come out the same as the original show. Alright, now, we actually have still the motion before the body to indefinitely postpone LB 219, and the Chair is wondering if Senator Whitney is some place in the Chamber, does anybody know where Senator Whitney is? Senator Whitney would it be possible for you to come forward please. Now the Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter, we are still arguing the motion to indefinitely postpone which is by Senator Proud, thank you.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I just want to answer some of the opposition to this bill. Senator Proud point out the non social meetings, that's stricken from the bill and the bill says all meetings in which all members or the majority of members from any Government body shall be required by law to be notified, and nothing, that we struck the non social out of the building, out of the bill. They say well you can't enforce it, well if you can't enforce it, what are they concerned about, you see, you've had too many protests from too few people, as to why we shouldn't do this, and I can understand why they believe that, and I don't criticize them for it, that's their position and the people that they attempt to represent from time to time like I do, but I don't see any good logical reason, Senator Lewis said well it will prevent us from hanging around in groups on this body for example, in order to cut somebody up or some bill up or pass something. That's not in this bill and nothing you can do about