

Clerk reading.

SPEAKER: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with the question is, shall the bill pass with the emergency clause attached? Those in favor vote aye. Those opposed vote nay. Senator Whitney voting aye.

CLERK: Senator Whitney voting aye.

SPEAKER: Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: Roll call vote read. 34 ayes, 14 nays, 1 not voting.

SPEAKER: I declare the bill passed with the emergency clause attached.

CLERK: Move to suspend rules read.

SPEAKER: Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well, Mr. President, I think this is the day of decision. I think on this vote we'll make up our minds and be able to answer some of the Senators' questions--how long we're going to be here. I think the th--the motion is self evident and the first bill there is 24--259 and I have nothing further to say.

SPEAKER: This will require 30 votes. Those in favor of suspending the rules and to read the bills which the Appropriations Committee fiscal analyst has set for April 30th be read today instead. Those in favor vote aye. Those opposed vote nay. Senator Whitney voting aye.

CLERK: Senator Whitney voting aye.

SPEAKER: Have you all voted? Clerk will read the--record the vote.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 10 nays, 4 not voting.

SPEAKER: The motion passes. I shall--

CLERK: Now, Mr. President, we have a motion that all bills be considered on final reading regardless of fiscal impact. I think that's Senator Chambers'--he didn't sign it.

SPEAKER: Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. If this budget bill is passed without amendments as is contemplated, a lot of people in Nebraska are going to be terribly inconvenienced. Actually the word inconvenience is an understatement so I feel no guilt, I feel no remorse, I feel nothing about inconveniencing the Legislature in this fashion by having this amendment considered day after day and time after time and prior to the consideration of the motion and Senator Marvel may not yield under the circumstances, but I wonder if he would yield to a few questions that relate to the motion.

SPEAKER: Senator Marvel, will you yield? To some questions?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Marvel, yesterday I had some questions in my mind about whether this bill ought to be amended, the budget bill. Now if--by the way if anybody feels I'm out of order because the budget bill itself hasn't come before the body, I'll sit down and wait till a more appropriate time but I felt that since it deals with the issue of final reading, maybe this question should be resolved before any bills are read so is it alright to continue?