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PRESIDENT: Senator Waldron,

SENATOR WALDRON: I ask for a call of the house, I hate to do it, but we only need 1 vote now. If anyone is just.

PRESIDENT: All right, thank you. The clerk will record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The rules are suspended, the bill is introduced.

CLERK: LB981 (read) That's all Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any other bills for introduction, no. We are ready then for consideration for bills on Select File.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: We are ready for Select File.

CLERK: LB 490, the E & R Amendments have been adopted. The bill was laid over. There is now pending an amendment by Senator Richard Lewis.

PRESIDENT: Senator Richard Lewis are you ready for your amendment 490.

SENATOR LEWIS: Yes, Mr. President, I have a copy of the amendment on the desk. How do you wish to handle this. Would you like to publish this in the Journal and take it up at a later time, or would you want me to read the amendment and discuss it at this time.

PRESIDENT: Your pleasure.

SENATOR LEWIS: Well I would, since I asked to have it bracketed for one day I would be willing to take it up at this time.

PRESIDENT: We might as well test the water.

SENATOR LEWIS: O. K.

PRESIDENT: The motion is to adopt the amendment then. Go ahead Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: I would so move that we adopt the amendment to 490 that I've placed on the desk, and I would like to have the clerk read it if I might, please.

CLERK: Read Amendment to 490.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: This is a bill that we heard last session in our public works committee and it pertains to the permit system on highway signs. Presently under the highway beautification act these signs on the interstate system on first class primaries state roads, these highway signs are being mandated under the act out of existance, and it has presented a real problem to the sign owners. Those firms who own these highway signs because of the fact that they are going out of existance is really radically reduced the number of people who are using these signs. It has caused a loss of income to these people and the Department of Roads is moving very very slowly in setting up the machinery to get these phase out through a combination of state and federal funding. There is a procedure for this but it has not worked satisfactorily up until now, and I've met several times with these sign owners, and with the Department