

April 12, 1979

LB 542

PRESIDENT: Read the motion, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Marvel moves to suspend Rule 6, section 6, and take up LB 542 on Final Reading today.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The reason we need to do this today is this is a deficiency bill and it needs to move across in its final stage.

PRESIDENT: Alright. Any discussion? The motion then is the suspension of the Rules in order that we might take up LB 542 today. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We need one...need another vote. Record the vote.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays to suspend the rules and read the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries and the rules are suspended and we may proceed then, Mr. Clerk with the Final Reading of LB 542.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion on the desk.

PRESIDENT: Read the motion, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Frank Lewis moves to return LB 542 to Select File for a specific amendment, that amendment being to strike on Page 20, lines 16 through 27, and on Page 21, line 1. That's offered by Senator Frank Lewis.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. President, first of all, let me apologize for not catching this before, but this morning before session I did have an opportunity to read the bill that was up. As I mentioned yesterday, I've been a little negligent in terms of reading those kind of appropriations bills, but I started a new practice this morning, and I find what I understood was not correct. I understood that we were going to buy a new state aircraft out of cash funds, but after carefully reading the language, those are laundered funds. That's general fund money that will be used for the purposes of buying state aircraft simply by charging state agencies for the use of the aircraft and then paying for it and calling it cash funds. If you charge us ten percent more for the legislative use of those aircrafts, those come from general funds. That's tax money. It's a...I suppose that system is