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LR 70

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: Record your presence please. Have you all recorded your presence? We are going to start Final Reading in a few minutes and we need to know how many are here. Senator Kremer, would you like to take up, while we are waiting for the rest of the...would you like to take up LR 70? Okay, record Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you have anything to read in, Mr. Clerk? Okay. Chair recognizes Senator Kremer for purposes of discussing LR 70 which you will find on page 1747. Chair recognizes Senator Kremer. We will take up two or three resolutions until the rest of the legislators get here and then we will start Final Reading. Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Members of the Legislature the Speaker has called your attention to LR 70 and the resolution as the Speaker has indicated is found in the Journal on page 1747 and 1748. We are speaking here about a proposed building of a high voltage power line from Canada into Nebraska that would provide for a method of supplying electricity at the time of the peak demand between these two areas, namely Canada and Nebraska. Canada has a rich supply of water with which to generate electricity through hydro plants. Much of that energy is not needed in the summertime when we reach the peak load here in Nebraska and this idea of this proposed line would help us alleviate this peak load and would supply Nebraska if we were successful in building a line to avoid the racket in many cases that is so troublesome to us. The resolution asks for the appointment by the Executive Board of five legislators to form a committee to work with the other states namely South Dakota and probably North Dakota and Canada in discussing this idea and see what could be accomplished by it and report back to the Legislature. I.... the name of the proposed line is the Mandan Line, you have heard about it before. I move the Resolution be adopted. Would invite the other members that signed the Resolution to many any comment that they would like; Senator Warner, Senator Beutler and Senator Lewis.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I had an amendment, I forgot to mention, Senator Kremer, you will recall when we were in South Dakota, the South Dakota group