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LB 672

PRESIDENT: While we are waiting to start on General File the Chair would like to introduce from Senator Kahle's district, some guests of his, 36 senior Government Class students from Red Cloud High School with teachers, Miss Sally Meyers, Mike Nannen and Bill Kugler, the bus driver. Would they stand and be recognized, the Red Cloud seniors. Welcome to your Legislature. We also have from Senator Beutler's district, some 45 fourth grade students from McPhee Grade School here in Lincoln, Miss Jane Aalborg, Miss Peggy Link, Miss Cindy McDowell. They are all teachers here in the North balcony also. Would they stand and be recognized. They are just coming in there I guess. Welcome to the Legislature. Okay then, we are ready then to proceed with General File with the first bill on General File, Mr. Clerk, #672.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 672 was a bill introduced by Senator Marvel at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) The bill was first read on January 10 of this year. It was referred to the Public Works Committee for a public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. There is a committee amendment pending by Senator Kremer's Public Works Committee.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Speaker Marvel. Oh, the amendment first, all right, yes, Senator Kremer, the Public Works Committee amendment.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I am going to move that the committee amendments be rejected and I would like to tell you why. In this bill we are dealing with the reinstatement of a driver's license and we have been informed that the cost of all the work that goes through the reinstatement at the level of government, it costs pretty close to \$50.00, I think it is \$42 and some cents. Consequently the amendment offered by the committee changed the reinstatement fee from \$50 to \$25 which would not totally reimburse the cost of the reinstatement of a driver's license once it is lost and the driver needs to have it reinstated. Consequently we would have to go right back to the Appropriations and appropriate additional money and it is my feeling and the feeling of the department that the work connected with the reinstatement of a driver's license should be self-supportive and not go to the general fund for additional money to support this program. So that is the amendment and I am moving that the committee amendments be rejected.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Keyes. Do you wish to speak to the rejection of the committee amendments?