

March 4, 1980

LB 669, 673, 674, 815, 884

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is advanced. The next bill, LB 884.

CLERK: Can I read a couple of things real quick?

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Clerk will read a couple of items in and then we will go to 884.

CLERK: Mr. President, your committee on Business and Labor gives notice of public hearing for March 13 at 1:30. (Signed) Senator Maresh, Chairman. (See page 982 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your committee on Appropriations whose Chairman is Senator Warner to whom was referred LB 673 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be advanced to General File; 674 General File; 815 General File and 669 indefinitely postponed. (Signed) Senator Warner, Chairman.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Ready for 884?

CLERK: Yes, sir. Mr. President, LB 884 was introduced by the Public Works Committee and signed by its members. (Read title to LB 884.) The bill was first read on January 23. It was referred to the Public Works Committee. It was advanced to General File. I have no amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman and members of the body, this bill came out of committee without dissenting vote. One member was absent and not voting, and actually was on the Consent Calendar and I believe there were several names at that time I asked that it be taken off the Consent Calendar. It had no opposition. What the bill does, it provides that...when this bill was brought to us by the Association of Resource Districts, it provides that a bond will not be required if there is court action. I would point out that no other...we were told, at least, that in no other subdivision of government is this required, and, in fact, Chapter 14 addresses itself to that and it spells out a number of subdivisions of government that are not subject to a bond. Our problem is this, the demand today to build more reservoirs and water conservation measures and if the money that is required to purchase this bond is not available to carry out the responsibilities of the district, and I believe only in one case was the bond required,