

amendment to LB 42. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? We are voting on the committee amendment to LB 42 as explained by Senator Nichol. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The committee amendment is adopted.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, over the past interim period, the Judiciary Committee cooperated with the Nebraska Supreme Court Committee on practice and procedure in refining various Nebraska statutes dealing with appeals from lower courts to the district court. In conducting this interim study, LR 268, the Judiciary Committee held public hearings throughout the state to receive input from local judges and local practitioners of some of the provisions offered in the bill. It was determined that current appellate procedures contained many hidden traps which can work to the detriment of litigants having the effect of increasing attorney fees and court costs through the creation of delays. LB 42 attempts to make uniform the appeals from lower courts to the district court so that a uniform practice can develop. The provisions contained in LB 42 were approved by the Supreme Court, the various judges associations and by the House of Delegates of the Nebraska Bar Association at their annual fall meetings. Senator Vard Johnson mentioned on the floor the other day that difficulty which arises when every administrative agency has a different method of appealing its decisions. This to some extent is true of appeals from the various lower courts to the district court. This bill would make those procedures uniform. I move for the advancement of LB 42 to E & R Initial. Now, may I say in addition to that there is several, many small changes and I have listed those out and they contain several pages. I would be glad to go over them one at a time if you would like to take the time. On the other hand, if those of you that are interested would like to have those specifically in your hands, I will be most happy to see that you get them. I move for the advancement of LB 42 to E & R Initial.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President, I have a question of Senator Nichol, if he will yield please.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: I will try.