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SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of the committee amendments to LB 54 vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of committee amendments, Mr. President.

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

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance LB 54 to E & R for review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is advanced. LB 205.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 205 was introduced by Senator Dave Newell. (Title read.) The bill was read on January 15. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, this just tightens up as to who the authorized arson investigators are. I move for the adoption of the committee amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chambers, do you want to speak to the committee amendments? Okay. The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 205. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr.President, members of the body, LB 205 is a bill that authorizes arson investigators in the cities of metropolitan class or Omaha to have the authority to make arrests, carry weapons and allowed subpoena powers. As we all know there is a great problem with arson especially in our large urban centers. There has been a number of news articles and television clips in recent months and years indicating the problem with arson. This bill authorizes

