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LB 217, 457

We only have thirty people checked in. If you are here, will you push your button please. Senator Chambers, will you push your button? Senator Schmit.

CLERK: Senator Vard Johnson voting aye.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 17 nays, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The motion carried. The bill is advanced. We will now take up 457. The Call is raised.

CLERK: Mr. President, 457 is a bill introduced by Senators Fitzgerald and Hefner. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 20. It was referred to the Miscellaneous Subjects. It was advanced to General File. There are no amendments on the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hefner, do you want to take the bill or Senator Fitzgerald? Senator Fitzgerald, do you want to take the bill? 457.

SENATOR FITZGERALD: Mr. Speaker, this bill puts the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee on the Highway Advisory Committee. This is what it does because we have this new formula now on gasoline tax on the percentage and it is a necessity he is over there on the committee now.

SENATOR CLARK: Is that all you have?

SENATOR FITZGERALD: Yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, I would just like to explain the bill a little bit more. We feel that it is necessary for the Appropriation Committee chairman to be on this committee because we are involving a lot of dollars. We are involving a lot of tax dollars and I think it is very important that the Chairman of the Appropriation Committee be added to this. In previous years we have consulted with him and invited him to some of the meetings of the Highway Transportation Advisory Committee but this way he would be appointed to this committee, and so, therefore, I think it is real good that we pass this bill or advance this bill so that he will be a member of this committee. At the present time we also have the chairman of the Revenue Committee on this committee, also the chairman of the Public Works Committee, and so I think it is just real good business to add the chairman of the