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CLERK: Mr. President, a communication from the Governor addressed to the Clerk. (Read. Re: LB 21 and 260. See page 772, Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, Senator Koch asks unanimous consent to be excused Monday, March 9 and Tuesday, March 10.

PRESIDENT: We are ready then for agenda item #4, General File, commencing with, the first bill on General File this morning, LB 74, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 74 was last considered by the body yesterday. At that time, well...(Read title.) Yesterday, Mr. President, the Legislature adopted the committee amendments as well as an amendment to the committee amendments offered by Senator Nichol. I now have pending, Mr. President, an amendment from Senator Chambers to amend the bill on Page 2, line 12, strike new language, insert fifty cents.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I stated yesterday what this amendment is for and what it does but I will be very brief in repeating that. This would relate to a situation where a person were going to go through the park or be in the park for a very brief period of time, less than a day. The fifty cents would defray the cost of any kind of little sticker or slip of paper that a person would have to have to show that he or she were there legitimately. I think the parks do belong to the public. I think they should be accessible to everybody and considering this amendment I had had it suggested to me by one of the Senators that a little slip of paper just be given and no fee assessed at all. But because it might cost something to administer the giving of a piece of paper or whatever they use, I would be willing to have the fifty cents fee attached. So I am hoping that you will consider this amendment and add it to the bill. That is all I have to say but I would answer any questions that you might want to ask.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Labedz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I will certainly have to stand and disapprove of Senator Chambers' amendment of fifty cents. For one thing not all the people would honestly just drive through the park. Many would stay, and charging only fifty cents for a temporary or a daily permit would mean that many people