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section that we are dealing with now that also covers the same section. So this is an executive bill and if there is no support for it then it ought to be killed.

SENATOR CLARK: All those in favor of indefinitely postponing LB 155 vote aye, opposed no. Record the vote.

CLERK: 24 ayes, 1 nay to indefinitely postpone LB 155, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: LB 155 is indefinitely postponed. We will now take up LB 22. Senator Johnson, are you ready to take up 171? All right, we will take up 171 now.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 171 was introduced by Senator Lowell Johnson. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 14. It was referred to the Urban Affairs Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending by Senator Landis' Urban Affairs Committee.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Landis, the committee amendments.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, Senator Johnson's bill authorizes the use of facsimile signatures in the limited case of cities of the first class on their public works board. He also brought to us the information that county hospital boards were also without legal authority to use facsimile signatures. Since most county boards have been, in fact, using facsimile signatures, Senator Johnson thought it wise and the committee agreed with him that we give them the legislative authority to do that. The amendment simply expands the authorization for facsimile signatures from not only the original intent of the bill of public works committees in first class cities to county health boards as well. I understand that in the language that the committee adopted we left out "superintendents" of county hospitals and that Senator Johnson will offer an amendment to expand yet further that authorization for facsimile signatures. The committee moves the adoption of the committee amendments and I personally will also support the amendment that Senator Johnson will offer with respect to superintendents of county hospitals.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Johnson, do you want to talk on the committee amendments?

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Right.