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SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, record.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you have any items to read in?

CLERK: Briefly, Mr. President, your Committee on Government reports LB 488 to General File with amendments. (Signed) Senator Kahle as Chair. (See pages 1106 and 1107 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: Anything else?

CLERK: No, sir, that's all.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hefner, are we ready for your...?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hefner moves for the introduction of a new bill by the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee, Request #925.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I move for the introduction of Request #925 and this is establishing the Public Service Commission districts. A statement of intent was passed out this morning and you should have it on your desk, but I will explain it a little more fully to you. The Miscellaneous Subjects Committee in their last Executive Session decided to introduce separate bills for the reapportionment issues. At the present time we have two bills that are in committee and we are going to use them for the congressional districts and the legislative districts. So today we are asking your approval so that we can introduce four more bills to take care of the rest of them. The purpose I have in the total of six bills is to help keep the reapportionment issues separate. The committee felt that it would more clearly describe each issue, and, like I say, the first bill that we are going to act on is for the purpose of establishing the Public Service Commission districts. The second one will be the Supreme Court judicial districts, and the third one, the Board of Regents district, and the fourth one the State Board of Education. We feel that this way we cannot only keep the districts more distinct and clear but we can also keep the counties and the precincts that are in each district more clearly and distinct. Ten years ago the Legislature did it this way and it worked