

April 23, 1981

LB 491, 252

ASSISTANT CLERK: 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 2 excused and not voting. Vote appears on pages 1532-33 of the Legislative Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: LB 491E is declared passed on Final Reading. That completes Final Reading for the morning. Before we start on General File item number six, it is my privilege to introduce in the south balcony from Senator Chronister's district 40 students from the rural schools of Stanton County and ten adults, the County Superintendent Mary Lee Temperlee. Will you hold up your hands so we can see where you are located to welcome you. Before we move to General File it is....I would like to welcome Robert Clark to the Chamber. I understand that you have been away for sometime and we welcome you back again. From, we have already taken a machine vote. From Senator Wiitala's district 34 students and three adults from Prarie Lane School, Omaha, Nebraska Betty Wright is the teacher in the south balcony. Will you hold up your hands so we can see where you are.

The first order of business under item number six, LB 252 Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 252 was introduced Senator Beutler. Read title. The bill was considered by the membership on April 16th of this year Mr. President, at that time the committee amendments were adopted. There were several amendments offered including a kill motion by Senator Goodrich, which failed. I now have a series of amendments pending Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beutler, will you give us a brief synopsis of the bill. Since we went through this rather thoroughly the other day.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, just to refresh your memory briefly, the bill is basically to govern the transfers, the interbasin transfers of water in Nebraska. It seeks to set out the introducers intent in introducing the bill was to give a balanced approach and an approach that would allow the transfer but which at the same time would give some protection to the basin of origin. Now for purposes of discussing the amendments that are coming up, I would simply suggest to the body that you get out the bill, LB 252, and turn to page six of the bill which lists the different factors that the director of water resources must look at in considering whether to grant an application to transfer water. I would point