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LB 134

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are now ready for Select File, item, LB 134, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, if I may right before that I have a committee report from the Retirement Systems Committee regarding appointments to gubernatorial appointment confirmations. (See page 1623 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, LB 134 has been considered several times. We have pending, Mr. President, a motion to indefinitely postpone the bill and that is offered by Senator Fenger.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Fenger.

SENATOR FENGER: Mr. Speaker, fellow members, I believe this is the first time this session that the introducer of a motion has had three occasions to give opening comment. I am well aware of T.V. serials that end with, "Tune in tomorrow for the next chapter," but little did I personally realize that some day, I, too, could be a part of that. I only want to make two comments regarding previous debate of this motion. Senator Wesely voiced concerns last Friday about how we would look bad if we did not pass this bill. He suggested postponing LB 134 would give us a tarnished image. I think now it is safe to say at this point that probably the opposite is true. LB 134 should be postponed because we need to preserve any good image we may have left. Secondly, I take some offense at Senator Hoagland's suggestion yesterday, that this motion was, in fact, contrived or manipulated by other members of this body. The inference that I may be a tool or lackey of any other member of this Legislature is unfounded and I hope it is not even worthy of further comment. This is my motion to indefinitely postpone and mine alone and I urge this body to adopt it. Thank you.

SENATOR MARVEL: I would like to introduce some guests first and then I will recognize Senator Beutler. In the North balcony from Senator Schmit's district we welcome this morning, 17 students from Rising City High School, Rising City, Nebraska, and their instructor Larry Aylor. Where are you in the North balcony? Will you raise your hands so we can see where you are? Okay, welcome, and from Senator Howard Peterson's district, 47 students, fourth graders, from Gates Elementary School, Grand Island, Nebraska. Mrs. Kathy Thompson and Mrs. Suzanne Osberg are teachers and they are also in the North balcony. Will you show us where you are? Okay. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. I would have to agree with Senator Fenger. This is getting to be like a soap opera but I was just thinking that really what happens