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LB 129

SENATOR CLARK: You have heard the motion. All those in favor say aye. Opposed. The bill is readvanced. We have six students from K to 7th Grade, the Nebraska Families for Christian Education, Columbus, Nebraska, John Harrington and Russ Mohrman are the Elders. There's seven adults with them. They are in the north balcony. Will you raise your hands so we can see where you are? Welcome to the Legislature. We now go to item #5, General File, LB 129. Do you have anything to read in, Pat?

CLERK: Mr. President, with respect to LB 129, it was a bill introduced by Senator Nichol and Cullan. (Read title.) The bill was first read, Mr. President, on January 13, referred to the Judiciary Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. On April 1 of this year the committee amendments were adopted. The bill at that point, Mr. President, was referred back to the Judiciary Committee because of the committee amendments. The bill has since been...has had a second public hearing, has been readvanced to General File. The committee amendments that were previously adopted are still...are the bill, Mr. President, at this point.

SENATOR CLARK: No additional committee amendments?
Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, the committee amendments have been adopted. I believe there is one other amendment we should take up.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Nichol would move to amend the committee amendment previously adopted. (Read the Nichol amendment as found on page 1965 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR NICHOL: Ladies and gentlemen, you will recall this was a beer, wine and liquor tax bill that we had up quite some time ago and several of you voiced opposition because we had not had a hearing specifically on the amendments that are now the bill. Did have another hearing, advanced the bill. It is not out here. In that...in those amendments we did have beer at 15 cents per gallon and the beer people thought this was a little strong, visited with us and we agreed to reduce that to 14 cents instead of 12 as the current amount of tax. I move for the adoption of this amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Cullan, on the amendment. Okay, is there any discussion on the amendment? If not, all those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote nay. I would