

January 7, 1982

LB 215, 472A, 694-697

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Clerk has some items to read in.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. LB 694 (Read title). LB 695 (Read title). LB 696 (Read title). LB 697 (Read title).

Mr. President, Senator Fenger would like to print amendments to LB 472A in the Legislative Journal.

Mr. President, Business and Labor Committee chaired by Senator Barrett announces that Senator Witala is selected as Vice Chairman of that committee.

Mr. President, your committee on Public Works gives notice of hearing in Room 1517 ofr next Friday.

And finally, Mr. President, the Executive Board will have a reference meeting underneath the North balcony at three-thirty this afternoon, Reference Committee at three-thirty underneath the North balcony.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The next item of business is LB 215.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 215 offered by Senator Chronister. (Read title). The bill was originally read on January 15, 1981, referred to the Judiciary Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. There is a committee amendment pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this is simply the emergency clause. The district courts in the State of Nebraska currently have the statutory authority to terminate parental rights as part of the divorce proceedings. However, in a recent case the Supreme Court said there was not adequate guidelines for the termination procedure. Because the district court's authority to terminate parental rights is now unclear, the committee felt that the bill should be moved as quickly as possible. For this reason we are asking that the emergency clause be added to the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the committee amendment as explained by Senator Nichol. All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.