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SPEAKER MARVEL: Record your presence please. We need four more votes to start the process and I would remind you that this is the last full day before half days so we have got a lot of work to do. Record.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you have some items to read in, Pat?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have two reports from a couple of different Natural Resource Districts regarding payment of attorney fees during the past interim.

Mr. President, Senator Howard Peterson would like to add his name to LB 798 as cointroducer. That is all I have.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the next order of business is what? The first item of business is LB 450.

CLERK: Mr President, LB 450 offered by the Performance Review and Audit Committee. (Title read.) The bill was first read on January 20 of last year, referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee for hearing. It was advanced to General File with committee amendments attached, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is again the same discussion that was initiated before we recessed this morning. So far the committee amendments address the same three issues that we addressed earlier in the bills related to the Bureau of Examining Boards and the bill related for medicine and surgery and the regulatory agency for optometry. This bill only relates to podiatry but the issues again are whether to eliminate the testing requirement for continuing education courses, to delete the promulgation of sanitary rules and regulation and inspection of podiatrists offices, and, thirdly, to delete the requirement to file all alleged statutory violations with the Attorney General. I will again assume that Senator Warner has the same amendment on the desk to make the committee amendments consistent with the other regulatory programs that we enacted or advanced earlier this morning. I will again support Senator Warner's amendment.