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what this bill does is eliminate the Advisory Council on Hospital and Medical Care Facilities. Now this is simply a bill to eliminate this council which has not been functioning for several years. In fact, the testimony from Dr. Smith of the Department of Health indicates that the membership of this particular council is not even...it would be impossible to even locate some of them now. Some of them are deceased. They have not kept the membership of this Advisory Council current, and most of their functions are now gone. But the functions of the Advisory Council on Hospital and Medical Facilities were related to the Hill-Burton Program which, of course, has long since been eliminated. And so the Department of Health saw no reason to continue the operation of this particular advisory body. With that, I would urge you to advance LB 829.

SENATOR CLARK: Is there any discussion? If not, that is your closing. Do you want to advance the bill? To E & R, 829. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The bill is advanced. We will take up the next one which is a noncontroversial bill, LB 623.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 623 was a bill introduced by Senator John DeCamp. (Read title). The bill was read on January 6 of this year. It was referred to the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President. There are committee amendments pending.

SENATOR CLARK: Committee amendments. Senator Cullan, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CULLAN: I was inquiring as to why you passed over LB 606. Senator Kremer asked me to handle that bill for him since he was absent and I would be happy to handle LB 606.

SENATOR CLARK: All right, we will come back to 606. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature,