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LB 274A, 454

PRESIDENT: The motion carries. The DeCamp amendment is adopted. Anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp, do you wish to move...? Motion is to advance LB 274A to E & R for engrossment. Any discussion? All those in favor signify by saying aye, opposed nay. The bill is advanced to...LB 274A. Your nay shall be noted, Senator Higgins.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have an Attorney General's opinion addressed to Senator Koch regarding LB 789. (See page 568 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: The next bill on Select File is LB 215.

CLERK: Mr. President, I understand that Senator Chronister wishes to lay LB 215 over.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chronister, are you here? The Chair recognizes Senator Chronister, on your request to lay over LB 215, Senator.

SENATOR CHRONISTER: Yes, Mr. Speaker, that is right. I request to lay over until we clear up the amendment. We are going to have a new amendment on the bill.

PRESIDENT: Any objections? So ordered. It will be laid over. Go to the bottom of the heap the Speaker advises. The next bill then is LB 454.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first amendment I have to LB 454 is offered by Senator Fowler. Senator Fowler.

PRESIDENT: Would the Sergeant at Arms see if Senator Fowler is out there? If he is not there well let's proceed with... here he is. Senator Fowler, we're ready for your amendment on LB 454.

CLERK: Senator, your amendment is on page 398 of the Journal.

SENATOR FOWLER: Mr. President, this amendment deals with the question of how often the sales tax could be adjusted. The bill changes our system of adjusting the sales and income tax to provide smaller increments. The problem that has been expressed by retail merchants is that every time they have to adjust to a new sales tax rate that there is considerable expense to the business and, in fact, one of the misconceptions I had is that the disruption would be to those businesses that did not have modern electronic cash registers and what it