

SENATOR CLARK: You heard the motion. All those in favor say aye, opposed. The bill is advanced. LB 335.

CLERK: Mr. President, your committee on Revenue whose chairman is Senator Carsten instructs me to report LB 467 advance to General File with committee amendments attached; LB 770 indefinitely postponed. That is signed by Senator Carsten. (See pages 630-632 of the Legislative Journal.)

LB 807 is advanced to General File with committee amendments attached by the Urban Affairs Committee. That is signed by Senator Landis. (See pages 632-634 of the Journal.)

Banking Committee offers a confirmation report on gubernatorial appointments.

Mr. President, LB 335, the E & R amendments were adopted on January 29 of this year. At that time the bill was laid over. I now have an amendment pending by Senator Marsh, Mr. President, that is found on page 307 of the Journal.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I agreed with the persons who opposed the legislation that I would bring the amendment to the body. I cannot personally support the amendment and I would like to read from a letter. This letter happens to be from a constituent of Larry Stoney's in District 4 and she says, "I am writing you concerning your bill, LB 335 and more specifically the amendment which would remove doctors, lawyers and clergy from reporting cases of neglect and abuse. I oppose this amendment. I do not oppose LB 335 which protects adults especially the elderly, disabled and handicapped from abuse and neglect. However, to remove anyone from the liability to report these incidents will make our reporting law ineffective. We cannot help adults if we have no way of obtaining the information on abuse and neglect."

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Chairman and members, I rise to oppose the amendment that we are speaking to where we are going to allow supposedly immunity to about four classes of professional people. It reminds you only, and I'll quote a Dr. Paul Nelson of Omaha who has been very interested in child abuse who states and I quote directly. Dr. Nelson, Omaha doctors in child care and abuse said, "The reporting requirement has worked well and hasn't hurt anyone and for us to say that doctors, lawyers and clergymen and others should be