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that heard this bill and I wholeheartedly endorse it. This leaves the top management out. They still have to have that vote but as Senator Goodrich has said, what it does is let them go out and offer an engineer or someone else a fixed salary rather than offering them some kind of a salary and then later the board says, no. So I think it is just a management deal is what it amounts to. They are going to have to pay the salary anyway so I endorse the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Goodrich, do you wish to close? Waive closing. Okay, the motion is to advance the bill, LB 739. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is carried. Bill is advanced. The next bill is LB 696.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 696 is a bill offered by Senator Wagner. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 7th of this year. It was referred to the Government Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President. I do have an amendment from Senators Wagner and Kahle. That is found on page 589 of the Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: Mr. Speaker and members, the purpose of this...Pat, would it be all right just to go through the whole thing because it is just a minor technical amendment. The purpose of LB 696 is a transfer of funds from the Spanish American War Fund to the institutional cash fund for the Nebraska Veterans Home. This is being done at the request of the Spanish American war veterans of which there is one surviving member. It was the intent of the Spanish American war veterans at a convention some years back that these funds be transferred to the Nebraska Veterans Home. A little bit about the history, and I think this makes this bill kind of unique in a way, it was for me anyway to find out that the Spanish American war veterans when they first joined they had to join a National Guard Association and there was a period of time of thirty-one to thirty-seven days before they were entered into federal service, and during this time there was no pay. So later on there was a fund created by the federal government in the amount of \$65,000 and this fund then was later distributed to the veterans. There was a time, there was a part of this where they could not find everybody and so the remaining balance