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LB 547, 824

SENATOR CLARK: One. I think Senator Warner is the only one excused.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Let it go.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Cullan requests record vote. (Record vote read. See page 1118, Legislative Journal.) 19 ayes, 26 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

SENATOR CLARK: Motion lost. That completes Final Reading for today so we leave six bills on Final Reading. We will now take up LB 824.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Labeledz would...first of all, I have a request from Senators Nichol, Haberman and DeCamp to add their names to Senator Labeledz' motion. Mr. President, they would move to place LB 824 on General File pursuant to Rule 3, Section 18(b).

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Mr. President, first before I start my ten minutes, I would like to have a ruling from the Chair in order to be fair. I passed out to each member of the Legislature a three page explanation of the rules and hopefully the Senators had time to read it. So I would like to ask at this time whether the Chair would rule whether I need 25 votes or 30 votes and I believe the President also received a copy of my questions on why, and then, of course, it was in the newspaper that I needed 30 votes and I was under the assumption that I needed 25 because my motion to bring LB 824 to the floor notwithstanding the committee's action was done on the 20th day. On the 21st day the committee sent the form to the Clerk and said that the LB 824 had been indefinitely postponed. I would like a ruling from the Chair.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Labeledz, this is a very, very gray area as you very well know. However, I do not want to set a precedence from the Chair by saying that the committee action was wrong so I am going to have to rule that it will take 30 votes, that the committee action did take place on the 20th day and it will take 30 votes. Now if you would like to challenge the Chair on that, that is fine but I don't want to set a precedence from the Chair.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Mr. President, I understand how you feel and