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LB 626

PRESIDENT: All right, no objections, so ordered. The Clerk will read matters into the record at this point.

CLERK: Mr. President, explanation of vote offered by Senator Haberman. (See page 1303 of the Journal.) And a report of Registered Lobbyists for the week of March 11 through March 18. Both will be inserted in the Journal. (See page 1303 of the Journal.)

PRESIDENT: All right, we will proceed then with agenda item #5 on the motions. LB 626.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Rumery would move to return LB 626 to Select File for a specific amendment, and the Rumery amendment is found on page 1258 of the Legislative Journal.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Rumery.

SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, we would like to bring this bill back to correct a mistake that I made in the bill and it simply amounts to removing the part in the amendment to the bill that has to do with countywide branching. I would like to strike that and I will appreciate it if you will give me the support to make this correction.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and colleagues, I guess I will direct this question to Senator Rumery. I received a letter from the Nebraska Association of Cooperative Credit Associations, and it says here: "We have been advised that an amendment has been introduced to LB 626 that would allow a bank to take over a cooperative credit association in any Nebraska town or village and establish a branch office. This amendment, very critical to the operations of the Nebraska credit associations, had been added with no notice to or input from the associations affected." So, Senator Rumery, I guess my question to you is, who asked you to introduce this amendment that you introduced the other day?

PRESIDENT: Senator Rumery, will you respond?

SENATOR RUMERY: I have a constituent who is working with the cooperatives and the people want it themselves and please be understanding that it is not without the vote of the local co-op. They vote on it themselves. It isn't