

SENATOR LAMB PRESIDING

SENATOR LAMB: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen, if we could please come to order. We will have the prayer by Dr. Al Norden, Pastor Emeritus of the University Lutheran Chapel where he served for thirty years and he also happens to be the father of Don Norden who is committee counsel for the Revenue Committee.

DR. NORDEN: Prayer offered.

SENATOR LAMB: Roll call. Have you all recorded your presence? Record.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: Corrections to the Journal.

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: Messages, reports or announcements, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have none this morning, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: The next order of business is #5, General File. The first bill to be considered is LB 2. Senator Carsten.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 2 was introduced by Senator Lamb at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) The bill was first read on November 5th of this year. The bill was referred directly to General File, Mr. President. I do have two amendments to the bill offered by the Revenue Committee, Mr. President. (Amendments appear on pages 46-47 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Let's take the one that changes the filing date first, Pat. Okay? Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I move for the adoption of this amendment. There are two separate amendments. The first one, and as you know, the procedure is a little bit different than our normal procedure. The bill was directly referred to General File. However, we did have an informational hearing on the bill and went through the general processes that we usually do on a hearing. The discussion of the changing of the filing date to the 15th was the real, most important part that we had testimony on. It did appear that there needed to be some changes made on that date because of various reasons, one being, about four times during the year the last of the month comes on a weekend and then the monies are finally gotten to the Department of Revenue on the first of the next month and thus, lowers the receipts for the month in which it is really paid. So it throws it out of