

January 13, 1992 LB 228
 LR 9

Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The committee amendments are not adopted and I will recognize Senator Kristensen for opening on the bill.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature, the basic premise of this bill may be ahead of its time a little bit. It was debated in 1976, but there are still certain items that need to be done with the Legislature to protect the institution. The committee amendments are, as I assume been defeated at this point, or that was the ruling of the Chair, anyway. The rest of the bill is still intact in integrity. It does provide, and I would offer another amendment to take those things out, but I believe there should be additional debate of what we can do to protect the individual members of the Legislature. The purposes are to assist the legislation in drafting of legislation. It's still there. It's still there to protect individual members in court. There are 24 other states that do this today. The other purposes to do this, there are going to be more and more matters brought to the attention of the Legislature through issues of choice legislation, our school finance, some of our health care matters are going to come before us where we need additional representation and I believe that the Legislature should take another look at this, with this where we've debated it substantively, would like to see the Legislature take a vote up or down on the matter as it stands at the present time. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Mr. Clerk, do you have a motion on the desk?

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Lamb would move to indefinitely postpone LB 228. That would lay the bill over unless Senator Kristensen preferred to take it up at this time.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Lamb.

CLERK: (Aside talk.)

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes, pass over it, please.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The bill is passed over. We'll proceed with LR 9CA.