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LB 245, LB 39
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SENATOR CLARK: Bill is declared passed with the emergency clause. Clerk will read 39E.

CLERK: Mr. President, if I may right before that, I have explanation of votes from Senator Warner. (See page 1941).

Mr. President, an Attorney General's opinion addressed to Senator Hefner regarding reapportionment. (See page 1942).

Mr. President, a new resolution LR 180 offered by Senator Wesely. (Read LR 180).

Mr. President, with respect to LB 39, I have a motion on the desk.

SENATOR CLARK: Read the motion.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Koch moves to return LB 39 to Select File for a specific amendment. The amendment is on page 1282 of the Journal.

SENATOR CLARK: Before I call on Senator Koch I would like to announce what we are going to do is go through till 12:00 and come back at 1:30 and be on Final Reading because we will never finish it this morning. Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH. Mr. Chairman and members of the body, the amendment proposes one thing. That is that we provide a date certain and that would be a one year sunset which means the legislature would annually treat the issue that we are discussing in LB 39 which has to do with medical assistance. I believe that with the problems that we have in terms of the federal government, their budgeting, our budgeting that if we are going to provide some relief to counties the best we should do is on an annual basis make a determination whether or not we should continue. So my amendment says that it shall be a one year provision. The legislature next year would have to review that to see if we want to continue to a great degree. I ask for the adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, members, I know that it is going to seem strange to some of my colleagues but I am going to support Senator Koch and hope that we can pass this bill with the one year stipulation in it. I know that it is going to be rough because the Governor said that he was going to veto it, at least in its entirety. I have several

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present this information to you. We have known all along, of course, the importance of the dairy industry in Nebraska and it is a very vital part of agriculture, and we appreciate these Senators bringing this to you. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Koch, the Chair recognizes you.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, I know that Senator Kahle and I were caught unaware but in that vast District Senator Kahle represents in Red Cloud, Nebraska is an outstanding processor of cheese, so for the good City of Red Cloud we want them to be on the list.

PRESIDENT: And now I must recognize Senator Kahle, I guess, after that.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President and members, not only do we have a cheese plant at Red Cloud, we also have one at Superior. It's been there for many years, and it is in the 37th District, and we certainly don't want to leave them out.

PRESIDENT: Thank you for the clarification and so that we get a travelogue of our great State of Nebraska. I would also at this time like to introduce from Senator Hoagland's District twenty-four 8th Graders from Louis Clark Junior High in Omaha, Ruth Owen, the teacher. They are up here in the north balcony. Do you want to wave to us up there, so we see where you are? Welcome to your Nebraska Legislature. Okay, while the Legislature is in session and capable of doing business, I propose to sign and I do sign LBs 320, 406, 551 and 553 and 554. Mr. Clerk, I guess we are ready then for agenda item #6, resolutions, and commencing with LR 180...Senator Wesely, if you want to read it for the record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 180 offered by Senator Wesely. is found on page 1943. (Read LR 180.)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Yes. Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this resolution has been pending now for a couple of weeks. It does support the service of the San Francisco Zephyr through Nebraska. I did have a handout that I passed out which shows that the San Francisco Zephyr has increased in ridership from 142,000 in 1978 to over half a million in 1980, which is a clear increase of strong support for the program. All we are asking for

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is the congressional delegation try and preserve that service in Nebraska. I move for its adoption.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on LR 180? If not, Senator Wesely, I guess that's the opening and close. All those in favor of LR 180 vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 180.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. LR 180 is adopted. The next legislative resolution is 188. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 188 was offered by Senator Wagner. It is found on page 2227. (Read LR 188.)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: Mr. Speaker, thank you. Members, I think we should have added another Whereas in there. Senator Hefner got up and talked about 8 cheese plants in the State of Nebraska. Probably I should have added a Whereas Ord has a cheese plant in there too, so I've got to get my little cheesy bit in there. Ord is celebrating their 100th year. You go back through the history of the area, the Loup Valley was settled in about 1870 and at that time there wasn't much but elk and antelope and deer and it was the home of the Pawnee Indian which was basically an agriculture type people. Since then they have gone through drouths, blizzards and a whole bunch of hardships, and Ord in their 100th year now with this resolution would bring some honor to the community. And I urge your adoption. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? All right, no further discussion. I guess that is your opening and closing, Senator Wagner. The question is the adoption of LR 188. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

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191, 194-196

LB 111, 118, 138, 213, 216,
320, 472, 506, 506A, 512,
523, 551, 556, 556A

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PRESIDENT LUEDTKE PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Prayer this morning by the Reverend John Schmeltzer, Associate Pastor of First Plymouth Congregational Church here in Lincoln.

REVEREND SCHMELTZER: Prayer offered.

PRESIDENT: Roll call. Record the presence, Mr. Clerk.

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

PRESIDENT: A quorum being present, are there any corrections to the Journal.

CLERK: One little one, Mr. President, on page 2378, insert the contents of LR 194.

PRESIDENT: All right, the Journal will stand published as corrected. Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a series of items. Mr. President, I have several communications from the Governor addressed to the Clerk. (Read. Re.: LB 320, 472, 111, 118, 213, 216, 512, 523, 551, 553, 554, 556, 556A, LB 138, LB 506. See pages 2383-2384.)

Mr. President, I have a veto message from the Governor. (Read. Re.: LB 506A. See page 2385 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, I have an Attorney General's opinion addressed to Senator Beutler regarding LB 321; an opinion addressed to Senator Hoagland on LB 213. See pages 2385-2387 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, new resolutions, LR 195 by Senator Koch. (Read. See page 2387-2388.) And Mr. President, LR 196 offered by Senators Wesely, Hoagland, Fowler and Beutler. (Read. See pages 2388-2389.) Mr. President, finally LRs 146, 180, 188, 189, 191 and 194 are all ready for your signature.

PRESIDENT: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do sign LR 146, LR 180, LR 188, LR 189, LR 191, LR 194. Anything further, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: I have nothing further, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: We will proceed then with agenda item #4, Final Reading on this final day of the 87th Legislature, first session. The Sergeant at Arms will secure the Chamber.