

SPEAKER MARVEL: If I can have your attention, there are a couple of items we would like to announce and then we will recess until about one-thirty. Okay, I will try once more. (gavel.) May I have your attention for a moment. I think this is an item that will be of interest to everybody. We had a caucus of the chairmen, chairpersons this morning. I would like to read a portion of that caucus. Senator Warner made a motion that Friday, January 16, 1981, be the cutoff date for bills going to the bill drafter for introduction within the ten day period. So if you are interested in bills getting to the bill drafter, Friday, January 19, 1981, is the cutoff date for bills going to the bill drafter for introduction within the ten day period, at noon on Friday and this motion will be put in the Journal for your information. (See page 167.)

The other thing, this afternoon we will pass out to you the calendar for the balance of this particular session of the Legislature. So we will pass this out this afternoon.

Now, do you have any other business, Mr. Clerk? Okay, go ahead.

CLERK: (Read LB 167-171. See pages 165-166 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: This afternoon, hopefully starting right after one-thirty, we will have an additional discussion on rules and hopefully before the end of the afternoon we will have made our decisions on rules for the rest of this year. So this will be coming up this afternoon. Senator Kahle, you had your light on. For what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, I would just like to make an announcement. They have the slips on their lamps but the Government, Veterans and Military Committee will meet immediately after we adjourn this afternoon in our regular meeting room, 1113 I believe it is. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, and, Senator Kahle, as long as you are on your feet, do you want to move that we recess until one-thirty? Excuse me, Senator Nichol. Yes, sir.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to announce that Judiciary will have a short meeting as soon as we adjourn in the Judiciary meeting room.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the Judiciary Committee will meet. The Government, Military Affairs will meet this afternoon. Okay, now do you want to recess us until one-thirty, please?

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284, 352, 392, 501

use of the parks and actually result in a net gain but whether it did that or not, I think the parks should be accessible to everybody and this would ensure that that would occur. So the amendment would strike the new language in the bill which raises this temporary fee from \$1.50 to \$3.00 and have the effect of reducing the current amount from \$1.50 to \$.50 and if you take this amendment, I will support the bill for sure.

SENATOR CLARK: I think we are going to stop right here. Senator Remmers, would you like to adjourn us until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock? We have something to read in first.

CLERK: Mr. President, your committee on Urban Affairs whose chairman is Senator Landis reports that LB 501 is reported to General File and LB 392 to General File with amendments, (Signed) Senator Landis. (See page 761 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your committee on Revenue whose chairman is Senator Carsten reports LB 12 to General File; LB 352 to General File; LB 59 to General File with amendments; LB 168 to General File with amendments; LB 284 to General File with amendments; LB 177 indefinitely postponed. (Signed) Senator Carsten as Chair. (See pages 762-766 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your committee on Miscellaneous Subjects give notice of hearing for gubernatorial appointments.

Mr. President, Senator DeCamp would like to have a meeting of the Banking Committee in Executive Session at 1:00 p.m. today in his office, 1:00 p.m.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Remmers.

SENATOR REMMERS: Mr. Chairman, I move the body adjourn until March 6, Friday morning at nine o'clock.

SENATOR CLARK: You heard the motion. All those in favor say aye, all those opposed. We are adjourned until 9:00 a.m. tomorrow morning.

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LB 475, 17, 168, 253, 334A, 500

Senator Kahle, Senator Cullan. Okay, call the roll. What is the motion now?

CLERK: Mr. President, the motion is to return LB 475 to Select File for a specific amendment, that amendment being to strike all of Section 9 of the bill. (Read roll call vote as found on page 1102 of the Legislative Journal.) 6 ayes, 32 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion lost. What is the next order of business?

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All provisions having been complied with, the question is, shall the bill pass. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. It has the emergency clause. Record the vote.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on page 1103 of the Legislative Journal.) 36 ayes, 4 nays, 9 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is passed on Final Reading. LB 500, the Clerk will read.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read LB 500 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: All provisions of law having been complied with, the question is, shall the bill pass. Those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read record vote as found on page 1103 of the Legislative Journal.) The vote is 36 ayes, 2 nays, 2 present and not voting, 9 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The bill is declared passed on Final Reading. Now we will...Senator Sieck.

CLERK: Mr. President, if I may before, a few items to read in. LB 334A. (Read by title for the first time as found on page 1104 of the Journal.)

I have an Attorney General's opinion addressed to Senator Stoney regarding Section 7 of LB 17.

I have amendments to be printed in the Journal by Senator Carsten and Senator Hoagland, Senator Carsten's to LB 168 and Senator Hoagland's to LB 253.

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LB 168, 59

legislation and commend Senator Carsten for bringing it to us, and urge the body's adoption of LB 59.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Clark, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR CLARK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would also support this bill. This is probably the only way you are going to clean up some of that mess that you have out there on titles. The titles are now clouded by the fact that they can't find these people. It will be a way that they can clear these taxes off of there and the landowner can get those minerals back and finally have a clear title to go ahead and drill. Most of these oil companies will not drill unless they have a clear title. They could go ahead and drill and they could put the money into escrow, that part that they can't find. But that is a mess to have to do that. So I think this bill is a good bill and it ought to go across. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Carsten, do you want to close? Okay, the motion is to advance the bill as amended to E & R. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. LB 59. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is advanced. What is the next one, Patrick?

CLERK: Mr. President, the next bill is LB 168, and it is introduced by the Revenue Committee and signed by its members. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 14 of this year. It was referred to the Revenue Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President. There are committee amendments pending by the Revenue Committee.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, LB 168 is another bill that has been brought to us because of a court decision, Gates versus Howell, in the taxation of mobile homes, and the original procedure was declared unconstitutional. Thus we have this bill before us which was brought to us by the Department of Revenue. And I move for the adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President. Basically, the amendments are quite extensive but they are technical for the very reason that there are several areas in the statutes that relate to this that had to be corrected. It does not...

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the amendments do not change any intent or purpose of the bill at all. Purely technical amendments as they relate to the statutes, and I move for the adoption of those amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments as explained by Senator Carsten. All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The committee amendments are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Carsten has an amendment found on page 1105 of the Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: I would just like to withdraw that... unanimous consent to withdraw that one, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Hearing no objection, so ordered.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you want to move the advancement of the bill?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I move 168 be advanced to E & R Initial as amended. And I would like to just for a very brief time talk about it just a little. The bill does provide now for the use of gummed stickers to be affixed to each mobile home as evidence of the payment of tax. Now this will be the procedure that will be followed and will...in the first place, in Section 1 we define mobile homes. In Section 2 the Department of Revenue will provide the stickers to the county assessor and treasurers to be affixed and the mobile home owners will apply to the county assessor each year for the sticker by March 1. It will be placed on the outside of the home by them. The county sheriffs are to assist the county assessor in enforcement and the failure to display a taxation sticker is a misdemeanor with a maximum fine or five, or a minimum or none, at the discretion of the court. The remainder of it basically is deletion of obsolete material and in Section 7 the present reporting requirement for owners of mobile home

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parts to report to county assessor changed from monthly report and an annual report to a single annual report. It does release some responsibility from there. The rest of it, of course, as I said, is a repeal of obsolete material and corrections in the Journal. I move for the advancement of 168 as amended.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the advancement of the bill. Senator Higgins, did you wish to speak to the motion?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Yes, Mr. President. Senator Carsten, will you answer a question or two?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes, Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Under this bill, it says that the owner's name and address and the value of the assessment shall be placed on the mobile home so that it can be seen from the outside.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Right?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes.

SENATOR HIGGINS: My problem with that is, if you are going to put somebody's name and address and then the assessed value of that property so that it can be seen from the outside, you are kind of letting burglars, thieves, and everybody else know where they live and if they see the assessed value of that mobile home, they might think, well, here they are out camping so they are not home, this might be a good time to go home and rob them. Or it could also be used by some of these sadistic type characters who would say, well, I know the home is owned by Cal Carsten so when I know that the family is back home and he is gone to work, I will call up and say, Mrs. Carsten, this is a friend of Cal's, and you left something in the trailer park so I would like to bring it over and drop it off. And he may very well be just a plain old rapist. The point is, we don't make people put stickers on their cars that say, this is your name and your address and the value of your car. And I am only looking at it, Senator, from the standpoint of safety for a person. Couldn't the sticker just show that the taxes have been paid without giving a person's name and address and how much they are worth?

SENATOR CARSTEN: I think, Senator Higgins, you will find

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that the committee amendments have stricken that, and all it is is a sticker that says that the tax has been paid. So I think it will relieve the problem and the question that you have.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Okay, I didn't get a copy of the amendment.

SENATOR CARSTEN: No, I....

SENATOR HIGGINS: But you don't have the name and address on it anymore?

SENATOR CARSTEN: No.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Fine.

SENATOR CARSTEN: That's been stricken.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Senator.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Did you move the advancement of the bill? Okay. All those in favor of the advancement of the bill vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is advanced.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 168A...(Read title). I have an amendment from Senator Carsten, Mr. President, to add the emergency clause to the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, the A bill as it is printed does not have an E clause on it and it does need that so that the Department of Revenue can get that in operation as quickly as it is passed so they can get it on the road to the county level. So I would move for the adoption of the E clause to 168A.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. It's the emergency clause on 168. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the emergency clause.

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LB 72, 78, 111, 158A,
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Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The motion carried. The bill is indefinitely postponed. We will now go to number 6, LB 78.

CLERK: Mr. President, while we are waiting, Government, Military and Veterans Affairs will hold an Exec Session underneath the north balcony at noon. Is that right, Senator? Government Committee at noon underneath the north balcony, Mr. President.

Mr. President, new A bill, LB 158A. (Read title.) Senator Carsten would like to print amendments to LB 168; Senator Labeledz to print amendments to LB 72. (See page 1186 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, LB 78 was a bill introduced by Senator Don Dworak. (Read title.) The bill was first read on January 9. It was referred to the Education. We last considered the bill on March 26, Mr. President. At that time there was a motion to adopt the committee amendments. That motion failed. There was also a motion from Senator Haberman to indefinitely postpone the bill, and that is presently before us.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Dworak, do you want to go over the bill and then we will take up the Haberman motion to kill? But you are recognized now, first.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. Speaker, as much as I would like to take the time, it seems to me that the bill was introduced, which I did. Debate had commenced on Senator Haberman's kill motion, and we had a list of speakers that we were going to continue with after the Friday adjournment. Is that correct?

SPEAKER MARVEL: You don't want to be recognized now then, is that right?

SENATOR DWORAK: I thought that we would just commence with that list of speakers as though....(interruption).

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, may we have a list of those who wish to speak either for or against LB 78. Will you please punch your button. Okay, the Chair recognizes first Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: (Microphone not on.)....motion on LB 78. A number of years I read the short story by

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CLERK: LB 59 and there are E & R amendments to the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kilgarin.

SENATOR KILGARIN: I move the E & R amendment to LB 59.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of that motion say aye, opposed no. The motion is carried. The E & R amendments to LB 59 are adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kilgarin.

SENATOR KILGARIN: I move LB 59 be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All in favor of that motion say aye, opposed no. The motion is carried. The bill is advanced. Before we proceed, it is my privilege to introduce from Senator DeCamp's district 9 students, 8th graders and three adults from St. Michaels, Albion, Nebraska, and Mrs. Eileen Redler is the teacher. Will you hold up your hands so we can see where you are? Welcome you. 168, right?

CLERK: Mr. President, yes, 168, there are E & R amendments, Senator.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kilgarin.

SENATOR KILGARIN: I move the E & R amendment to LB 168.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of that motion say aye, opposed no. The motion is carried. The E & R amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion from Senator Carsten. The amendment is found on page 1186 of the Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I move for the adoption of these amendments. The amendments are this and I will read them as they are in the book. (Read amendment as found on page 1186 of the Legislative Journal.) Now an explanation of these amendments, and we talked about these the other day, and Senator Higgins raised a question and a legitimate one and one that we felt that we needed to address and so we did prepare these amendments. The first one of course is a requirement that owners of mobile home parks report to the county assessor

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the number of mobile homes parked and the language is re-instated providing that "the report shall be made on forms provided by the county assessor". Apparently this original deletion was certainly unintentional. These reports, the owner would also report the make, model, size and year of each mobile home and these factors are indeed crucial to the assessors in determining the valuation of the mobile home and while this would require additional information on these reports, LB 168 already provides that these reports be made annually rather than monthly as under present law. And then secondly, provides that stickers for use on the mobile homes only be required to show the year and have a space for an identification number. The original bill provided that the stickers show the name, address, actual value, date assessed and so forth. The committee amendments deleted these requirements except for the name and address and as I mentioned before, because of some concern in this area which was well founded, we felt that these amendments were necessary to clarify that and make it a more workable bill. With that explanation, Mr. President, I again renew my motion for the adoption of these amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the Carsten amendments to LB 168. All those in favor of the adoption of the amendments vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Carsten's amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried and the amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kilgarin.

SENATOR KILGARIN: I move that LB 168 be advanced to E & R for engrossment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All in favor of that motion say aye, opposed no. The motion is carried.

CLERK: Mr. President, if I may interrupt, the Judiciary Committee will meet underneath the South balcony at two-thirty for an executive session. That is signed by Senator Pirsch and Senator Chambers as vice chair.

Public Health and Welfare reports 293 as indefinitely postponed. Again, Mr. President, Judiciary underneath the South balcony at two-thirty.

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LB 59, 167, 168, 168A,
329, 333, 483, 241

engrossed; 167, 168 and 168A, 329, 333 and 483 all correctly engrossed. (Signed) Senator Kilgarin, Chair.

Mr. President, LB 241 was introduced by Senator Don Wesely and Senator Haberman. (Read title). The bill was first read on January 16. It was referred to Urban Affairs for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending by the Urban Affairs Committee, Mr. President.

SENATOR KAHLE: Senator Landis, will you give us the committee amendments?

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, LB 241 is the sign bill. It is the death struggle between the City of Lincoln and various members of the outdoor advertising industry. It is the Roy Mehmken Memorial Scholarship Fund bill and this bill came through the Urban Affairs Committee. The committee heard the bill and took proponents and opponents which you will find listed in the committee statement. At the conclusion of the hearing, the committee made some alterations, struck some language from the bill, striking lines 10 through 12 on page 2 and indicated a formula to describe what full economic value was and that language appears in the committee amendment, in the first ten lines of the committee amendment. The addition of the words "a legally erected" sign was for the purpose of clarification and, lastly, there is with the striking of some language that appears on page 3 and on page 4, by striking some of the new language the committee intends to create in effect a grandfathering mechanism so that signs which are now unconfirming uses may continue to be unconfirming uses or at the city's discretion, if they wish to force the taking down of a nonconforming sign that is presently legally erected that they will pay either relocation costs or the value of the formula that appears in the committee amendments. So those are the three things that the committee amendment does. It indicates clearly the formula of repayment. It adds the qualifier "a legally erected" sign, and, thirdly, by striking some of the language in the bill, it creates in effect the option of the city to keep these signs which they declare to be nonconforming uses as nonconforming uses until such time, well, in the normal course of events they would fall down or need repair, and as all of those of you who are familiar with zoning, that means that at that time you may not replace a nonconforming use but, in fact, you will have to take the sign down. That is what the committee amendments do and I would urge the adoption by the body. Let me say this, I understand there is some controversy on

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LB 39A, 168, 168A

CLERK: Senator Clark voting aye.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the Kahle amendment, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The amendment is adopted. Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, I move LB 39A back to E & R for Engrossment.

SENATOR CLARK: You heard the motion. All those in favor say aye, all opposed. The bill is advanced. Another motion on 39?

CLERK: No sir, I have nothing further on the bill.

SENATOR CLARK: All right, we will take up LB 168.

CLERK: Read LB 168 on Final Reading.

SENATOR CLARK: All provisions of law according to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 168 with the emergency clause be passed. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting aye.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 46 ayes, 1 nay, 2 present and not voting. Vote appears on page 1945 of the Legislative Journal.

SENATOR CLARK. The bill is declared passed with the emergency clause attached. I would like to introduce a guest of Senator Goll under the north balcony, Miss Jean Haskell, a law student at Creighton, from Laurel, Nebraska. Will you stand and be recognized please, if she is still there. Also we have 55 fourth grade students from Dawes Elementary School, from Senator Beutler's district, Mrs. Haney, Mrs. Fabry and Mrs. McClain are the teachers. They are in the north balcony. Will you raise your hands so you can be recognized please. Welcome to the Legislature. The Clerk will read 168A.

CLERK: Read LB 168A on Final Reading.

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LB 22, 22A, 157, 157A, 158, 158A,
168, 168A, 197, 197A, 245, 245A,
253, 253A, 292, 292A, 317, 317A,
427, 427A, 529

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SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

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

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Clerk has some items on the desk that need to be read in for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have for your signature LBs 197, 197A, 245 and 245A, LBs 168, 168A, LB 157 and 157A, LB 427 and 427A, LB 292, 292A, LB 317 and 317A, LB 22 and 22A, and LB 158, 158A, and 253 and 253A, Mr. President.

Mr. President, Senator Chronister would like to print amendments to LB 529 in the Journal. (See page 1963 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I am about to sign and do sign engrossed LB 197, engrossed LB 197A, engrossed LB 245, engrossed LB 245A, engrossed LB 168, engrossed LB 168A, engrossed LB 157, engrossed LB 157A, engrossed LB 427, engrossed LB 427A, engrossed LB 292, engrossed LB 292A, engrossed LB 317, engrossed 317A, engrossed LB 22, engrossed LB 22A, engrossed LB 158, engrossed LB 158A, engrossed LB 253, engrossed LB 253A. Before we begin with some other bills, it is my privilege to introduce a number of visitors from Senator Cope and Kahle's Districts, ten students, 1st to 10th Grade, First Church of God Christian Academy, Kearney, Pastor Larry Lautaret, Jane Perry, teacher and Chester Trew, sponsor. In the north balcony. Will you hold up your hands so we can see where you are? Okay. From Senator Howard Peterson's District, eight students K through 12th Grade, Calvary Academy, Grand Island, Nebraska, Agnes Rich, Louise Bonne and Bonnie Skala, teachers. Where are you located? Okay. From Senator Chronister's District, eleven students from District 9, District 43, Wisner, Nebraska. Miss Koester and Miss Kansier, teachers. North balcony. Where are you located? Okay. From Senator Dworak's District five students, 3rd and 7th Grade from Christian Liberty Academy, Leigh, Nebraska, Susan Turvy, teacher, also Barbara Hall, in the south balcony. Are you in the south or north? From Senator Beutler's District sixteen 4th Graders, Hawthorne Elementary School, Lincoln, Nebraska, Mrs. Stephenson and Mrs. Anderson, teachers, in the north balcony. Where are you located? From Howard Peterson's District seven students K through 12th Grade, York Christian Academy, York, Nebraska, Edward Moray, Irene Moray, teachers. Where are you located? Okay. From

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158A, 168, 168A, 188, 188A, 197, 197A,
204, 204A, 207, 207A, 243, 245, 245A,
317, 317A, 253, 253A, 292, 292A, 427, 427A

Mr. President, your committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports....your Enrolling Clerk reports that she has presented to the Governor those bills that were read this morning on Final Reading. (See page 1977 regarding LBs 207, 207A, 188, 188A, 144, 144A, 204, 204A, 197, 197A, 245, 245A, 168, 168A, 157, 157A, 427, 427A, 292, 292A, 317, 317A, 22, 22A, 158, 158A, 253, 253A, in the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CLARK: I would like to announce the guests of Phyllis Todd from Senator Beutler's District, Mr. Kim, Mrs. Kim and Mrs. Bae-Pusan from Seoul, Korea. They are under the south balcony. Will you stand and be recognized, please? They are in the south balcony. Welcome to the Legislature. LB 243.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 243 was a bill introduced by Senator Schmit. (Read title.) The bill was first read on January 16, referred to Ag and Environment. The bill was considered by the body on April 10, Mr. President. At that time the committee amendments were adopted. There was an amendment from Senator Schmit that was adopted. The bill failed to advance on that date, Mr. President. I have nothing further on the bill.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I am going to ask you once again to consider LB 243. The bill was heard and discussed and debated at length. The previous time it was up it received 23 votes to advance on a Friday afternoon with about 27 or 8 people on the floor. I think that the fact that we have discussed the bill should perhaps wipe out any reason for a lot of lengthy debate. I know there are a lot of other bills that you want to get to today. I just want to say in reply to a piece of material that is lying on your desk, two and a half pages in length, which casts serious doubts about the problems that LB 243 can cause, I want to say this. You will recall that Senator Kremer and myself and along with several...at least 23 others in this body successfully added about \$2 million to the water development fund. There are rumors now that they may want to cut that back in the Executive Office to \$3 million from 4. That means that we will have about an additional \$800,000 in the water development fund, 50 cents per capita. Not exactly an overwhelming amount of public support I would guess for water development. My concern as I have indicated many times on this floor is this, if we are going to use funds that have been generated by a subdivision of government for