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LB 435, 656-664

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SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: Record your presence. Does anyone else wish to be recorded? Okay, record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

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

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Clerk has some items to read in before we continue.

CLERK: Mr. President, first of all, a reminder that there will be a chairmen's meeting tomorrow morning in Room 2102 at eight-thirty in the morning.

Mr. President, the Government Committee would like to meet in executive session underneath the North balcony upon adjournment today. That is the Government Committee.

Mr. President, I have a communication from the Speaker indicating that a priority designation for LB 435 has been withdrawn and, Mr. President, I have new bills.

Mr. President, new bills. LB 656 offered by Senator Labedz. (Read by title for the first time, LBs 656-664. See pages 111-113 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, we're ready to take up item #7.

CLERK: Mr. President, the proposed rule amendment #7 has to do with cloture. (See page 113 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, the proposed rule change concerning cloture came from committee after being introduced by Senator Beutler. It deals with the problem of extended debate, basically a filibuster situation where those who can propose amendments, callous amendments or motions or what have you that would preclude the chance for a decision on a motion or a bill. The problem is, how do we deal with that problem? So what we came up with was a cloture rule that said five hours of debate on any stage of consideration, General File, Select File or Final Reading, you get five hours. After that amount of debate if someone makes a motion to cease debate, can vote on the motion at hand and the issue at hand, it is in order to stop all the amendments and all the other motions and go to the question at hand and vote on it. It is an attempt to try and allow extended debate. Five hours on each stage is a long time to debate any issue

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SENATOR NICHOL: I am sorry, Senator Koch, I wasn't listening. Would you repeat the question?

SENATOR KOCH: When the bill was introduced by you originally, was it to take them from under the seven percent lid for the monies they spend for renovation and energy saving devices?

SENATOR NICHOL: I am sorry. You was talking so fast I couldn't understand you. Would you repeat it slowly please.

SENATOR KOCH: When you introduced this bill in its original form, it was to allow community colleges to be exempt from the seven percent lid on dollars they spent to renovate buildings to make them energy efficient?

SENATOR NICHOL: This particular bill? No. This was to allow community technical colleges to be eligible.

SENATOR KOCH: For just exactly what it is?

SENATOR NICHOL: Sure.

SENATOR KOCH: Well, obviously, someone misinterpreted Senator Noren's, not Senator Noren, Mr. Noren's dialogue with the committee but the point is I think our commitment is to maintain this fund as we put it there last year and maintain it that way. Historically it is correct and I think for the future it is also correct. I am asking you to strike the enacting clause. Thank you. And, Mr. Chairman, I would like a record vote.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The amendment is to strike the enacting clause and that is the issue. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 779 and 780, Legislative Journal.) 26 ayes, 15 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to strike the enacting clause.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is carried. Do you have anything to read in?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have amendments from Senator Marsh to be printed to LB 69 in the Legislative Journal.

Mr. President, your committee on Judiciary reports LB 603 advanced to General File with committee amendments attached; LB 656 from the Revenue Committee is reported to General File with committee amendments attached, Mr. President, and that is signed by Senator Carsten.