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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 President, I have a communication from the Speaker indicating that a priority designation for LB 435 has been withdrawn and, Mr.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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LB 593, 611, 619, 660,
675, 685, 697, 773, 794,
834, 840, 861, 873, 897

first motion. The motion is, shall we go under Call?
All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed
vote no. Record.

CLERK: 16 ayes, 10 nays to go under Call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The House is under Call. All legislators please return to your seats. Unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. Senator Burrows, do you want to record your presence? Senator Cope, will you please record your presence? Senator Kremer, will you please record your presence? Senator Newell, will you please record your presence? Senator Dworak, will you please record your presence? Senator Chambers. Senator Vickers, will you please record your presence? How many have we got? Senator Newell, everybody is here? Shall we proceed with the roll call? Okay.

CLERK: (Read the roll call vote as found on page 814 of the Legislative Journal.) 19 ayes, 28 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion lost. The Clerk has got some items to read in.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports they have carefully examined and engrossed LB 685 and find the same correctly engrossed, and LB 834 correctly engrossed.

Your Committee on Public Works reports LB 611 advanced to General File, 660 advanced to General File, 794 advanced to General File, all signed by Senator Kremer. (See pages 811 and 812 of the Legislative Journal.)

Your Committee on Ag and Environment reports LB 593 advanced to General File, 619 General File, 697 General File, 861 General File, 897 General File, 675 General File with amendments, 873 General File with amendments, and 840 indefinitely postponed, all signed by Senator Schmit as Chair. (See page 812 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Fowler to introduce a new bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Fowler would move to suspend Rule 5, Section 5(d) so as to permit the introduction of Request #1665.

SENATOR FOWLER: Yes, I think this is a joint of Senator