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LB 408, 646, 649, 685,
LB 590A, 694, 740

SENATOR NICHOL: We're looking for Senator Cullan, Schmit. Senator Chambers, will you check in please.

CLERK: Senator Marsh voting yes.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Kilgarin, we're missing Senator Marvel and Senator Schmit. Do you want to continue or do you want to wait until they are here? We are under Call so you should be in your seats, please. Senator Schmit, are you on your way?

CLERK: Senator Marvel voting yes.

SENATOR NICHOL: Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 15 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the A bill.

SENATOR NICHOL: The Call is raised and the bill is advanced.

CLERK: Mr. President, while we're waiting I have some items to read in. Your committee on Public Works whose chairman is Senator Kremer instructs me to report LB 408 advance to General File with committee amendments attached. And LB 694 advance to General File with committee amendments attached, both signed by Senator Beutler as Vice Chair. (See pages 796-802 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your committee on Revenue whose chairman is Senator Carsten instructs me to report LB 740 advance to General File with committee amendments attached.

Mr. President, your Enrolling Clerk has presented to the Governor LB 646 and 649. (See page 803 of the Journal.)

The Education Committee would like to have an executive session immediately following their public hearing this afternoon. That is the Education Committee after their public hearing.

LB 685 is reported to Select File, Mr. President. (Page 803.)

Mr. President, a new resolution, LR 228 offered by Senators Labeledz and Wiitala. (Read. See page 803-804 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR NICHOL: Members of the Legislature, Senator Shirley Marsh has some very special guests. I've asked her to please introduce you to them and she will do that at this time.

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LR 227, 228

PRESIDENT: Motion carries and LR 227 is adopted. Next item is LR 228.

CLERK: Mr. President, first of all, Senator Kilgarin would like to add her name to 228 as cointroducer.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kilgarin asks unanimous consent to add her name to LR 228, are there any objections? Hearing none, so ordered.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 228 offered by Senator Labedz and Wiitala. (Read.) Mr. President, the resolution is found on page 803 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Labedz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, I am certain that most of us are aware and all of us should be aware that Safeway Stores, Incorporated has announced its plans to close its stores in eastern and central Nebraska and that is going to happen on March 27th. Those cities losing the stores include Omaha and Lincoln, Lexington, Holdrege, Broken Bow, Ravenna, Grand Island, Geneva, Fairbury, Beatrice, Crete, Central City, O'Neill, Norfolk, West Point, Columbus, Wahoo, Falls City, Auburn, Nebraska City, and Fremont. These closings will cause a great economic impact to those communities and to the State of Nebraska and its citizens. Senator Wiitala and myself ask your support of this resolution which asks that Safeway Stores, Incorporated reconsider its decision to close the stores. There is going to be 1600 employees of Safeway Stores who are employed in the State of Nebraska and will be directly affected by the closings. This would amount to about a \$25 million total wages paid to those employees in 1981. I ask for the adoption of this resolution.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I heartily support the resolution, and if Senator Labedz can save Falstaff, she certainly should have no trouble saving Safeway.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? Senator Labedz, do you have any retort to that? As a closing, I mean.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Nothing, but I will go to Oakland if I have to.

PRESIDENT: Okay, motion then is the adoption of LR 228. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

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LR 228, 222

CLERK: 33 ayes, 3 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the resolution.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries and LR 228 is adopted. Before we go on to the last matter on agenda item #4, the Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. President, I just wanted a moment to alert the body of a little problem, or at least it looks like a problem. I would recommend that you look closely at your telephone long distance calls that you just recently received and I don't know if that is the way the computer does it anymore or whether it was on a rampage or what the situation is, but please look at your telephone bill carefully this month to make sure it is correct. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator Nichol. Next item on agenda item #4 is LR 222.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 222 offered by Senator Chambers found on page 686 of the Journal. (Read.)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, this resolution that I am offering that relates to the North Freeway is in the nature of a compromise. Rather than tell the Legislature to oppose construction of the Freeway, rather than ask that the Legislature appropriate money for the completion of the Freeway, it is simply now is recognizing an accomplished fact at least for this year. Inadequate money is available for any construction so the Department of Roads has said what it had to say that there will be no construction. I am giving you a handout to deal with this situation and you see an individual sitting on the back of...well, two parts of a horse, two rear ends but they connect in the middle so one rear end is facing to the left and the other rear end is facing to the right which means that it is going nowhere, and that brought to mind what I feel the Legislature inadvertently has done on the Freeway issue. I say it is inadvertent because the Legislature has never been known to take opposite positions on the same subject but the Legislature had gone on record in favor of the building of the Freeway, that is one side of the animal. But on the other hand it has said that even if federal funds dry up and there is no money, the Legislature will not see that the Freeway is funded so that put the other back end of the horse or jackass or whatever it is with the original back end so the Legislature is really working

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LB 726

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: Prayer by the Reverend Marsha Jark-Swain, St. Matthew Lutheran Church of North Bend and St. John Ridgeley Lutheran Church of Scribner.

REV. JARK-SWAIN: Prayer offered.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you want to record your presence, please. Do you have any other items? Okay, record.

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

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, go ahead.

CLERK: Mr. President, your committee on Public Works whose chairman is Senator Kremer to whom we referred LB 726 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation it be advanced to General File with committee amendments attached. (See page 1003 of the Journal.)

Mr. President, LR 227 and 228 are ready for your signature.

SPEAKER MARVEL: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business I am about to sign and do sign LR 227, LR 228. The next order of business is under item #4, resolutions, LR 230.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 230 offered by Senator Wesely, found on page 867 of the Journal. (Read.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, God, motherhood, apple pie and Girl Scouts all go together and this resolution tries to recognize the role the Girl Scouts have played in our country. This is now the 70th year they have been serving our nation and building strong character in our women and it seems to me that we should recognize the Girl Scouts and the role that they play. Next week has been designated Girl Scout Week and they are planning a series of events and this is a recognition on the part of the Legislature that the Girl Scouts are important to the State of Nebraska and deserve our support and respect. That is the resolution.

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

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the resolution.