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FOLEY: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the fifty-eighth of the One Hundred Seventh Legislature, Second Session. Our chaplain for today is Senator Lowe. Please rise.

LOWE: Would you please pray with me? Lord God, this being holy week, today we pray for those who make our job here in the Legislature possible. Lord God, look after the Clerk's Office, the Red Coats, the pages, the State Patrol, those in IT, and our staff and those who make sure everything is clean and ready for us today. We also pray for those who are going through difficult times. The message of the cross is difficult to take. How can death give way to life? How can weakness be strength? Yet, your word says that Jesus being God took on human flesh and suffered the worst kind of death. How can this be? This message is indeed difficult to take, but your foolishness is wiser than our wisdom. Your weakness is greater than our strength. Help us to know that none of us can boast before you. It is only in Christ Jesus that we can boast. In his name, we ask you to help our unbelief, that we may love you and walk in the way Jesus taught us. In his name. Amen.

FOLEY: Senator Hilkemann, can I ask you, please, to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance?

HILKEMANN: Thank you. Join me in the pledge. I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Hilkemann. I call to order the fifty-eighth day of the One Hundred Seventh Legislature, Second Session. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President. On page 1162, in line-- after line 31, insert "motion to cease debate". On page 1162 and 1163 strike "cease debate" and insert "indefinitely postpone". And on page 1230, line 2, strike "2786" and insert "2787". And finally, on page 1262 strike line 8. That's all that I had, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Any messages, reports, or announcements?

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CLERK: I do. I have a proposed Rule change offered by Senator Hughes as Chair of the Executive Board, that will be referred to the Rules Committee. New resolution, LR451, by Senator Vargas. That will be laid over. That's all that I had, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, sir. Senator McCollister would like us to recognize Dr. Steven Williams of Omaha, Nebraska, is serving today as family physician of the day. Dr. Williams is with us under the north balcony. Doctor, please rise, like to welcome you to the Nebraska Legislature. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign the following seven legislative resolutions: number LR428, LR429, LR430, LR431, LR432, LR433, and LR434. Members, we're about to go into Final Reading, if you could please be at your desk pursuant to the Rules. We'll now commence with Final Reading. First bill is LB450. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing of the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 35 ayes-- 38 ayes, 3 nays, Mr. President, to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB450.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB450 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Day, Ben Hansen, Pahls, and Wayne. 45 ayes, 0 nays, 4 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB450 passes. Proceeding to LB450A. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: [Read LB450A on Final Reading.]

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FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB450A pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Day, Ben Hansen, Pahls, Wayne. 45 ayes, 0 nays, 4 excused not voting.

FOLEY: LB450A passes. Proceeding to LB436. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing of the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB436.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB436 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay. none. Not voting: Senators Day, Ben Hansen, Pahls, Wayne. 45 ayes, 0 nays, 4 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB436 passes. Proceeding to LB717. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: [Read LB717 on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB717 pass? Those in favor vote

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aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Blood, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Geist, Gragert, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Clements, Erdman, Friesen, Halloran. Not voting: Senators Arch, Hughes, Lowe, Moser, Murman, Day, Ben Hansen, Pahls, and Wayne. 40-- excuse me, 34 ayes, 6 nays, 5 present not voting, 4 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB717 passes. LB769.

CLERK: [Read LB769 on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB769 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Clements, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Machaela Cavanaugh, Hunt, Day, Ben Hansen, Pahls, Wayne. 43 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present not voting, 4 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB769 passes. Proceeding to LB780.

CLERK: [Read LB780 on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB780 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz,

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Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Hunt, Ben Hansen, Pahls, and Wayne. 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB780 passes. Proceeding to LB820.

CLERK: [Read LB820 on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB820 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Brewer, Erdman. Not voting: Senators Arch, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Pahls, and Wayne. 42 ayes, 2 nays, 2 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB820 passes. Proceeding to LB840. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing of the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 39 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB840.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB840 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators, Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not

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voting: Senators Pahls and Wayne. 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present-- 2
excused not voting, excuse me, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB840 passes. Proceeding to LB864.

CLERK: Mr. President, first of all, Senator Matt Hansen, I have FA185
with a note you wish to withdraw.

FOLEY: Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large
reading. Those in favor of dispensing of the reading vote aye; those
opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye-- excuse me, 39 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the
at-large reading, Mr. President.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please
read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB864.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been
complied with, the question is, shall LB864 pass? Those in favor vote
aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar,
Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements,
Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran,
Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman,
Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney,
Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner,
Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting:
Senators Pahls and Wayne. 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused not voting, Mr.
President.

FOLEY: LB864 passes. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion on the desk, Senator Blood would
move to overrule the agenda so as to allow the consideration of
LR263CA before consideration of LB887 on Final Reading.

FOLEY: Senator Blood, you're recognized to open on your motion.

BLOOD: Thank you, Mr. President. How much time will I be given?

FOLEY: 10:00.

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BLOOD: 10:00. Friends, relax, I'm not going to take over the entire morning, but this is going to get said today. A lot of people asked me last night why we did not go to 11:59. And I want to walk you through the history of my constitutional amendment that would have allowed Nebraskans to decide if Nebraska would once and for all stop unfunded and underfunded mandates to political subdivisions and why they're not going to get that opportunity to vote for it. Because I know you're not going to vote to change the agenda. And that's OK, no hard feelings, but that doesn't mean that I can't take the opportunity to talk. Mr. President, will I be given several opportunities to talk if nobody gets in the queue?

FOLEY: There's no one in the queue.

BLOOD: But if there's nobody in the queue?

FOLEY: If there's no one in the queue, you can speak initial time. Yes.

BLOOD: My bill, my legislative resolution, came out of committee 8-0. It had no opposition. Trying to get it scheduled ended up being the biggest struggle I've had in six years. But as I kept being told, I'm a good citizen, I always try to, to do the best I can to help our Chair whenever asked. But what I learned today and yesterday is that being called a good citizen is really just a way to appease you to make you go away and keep playing nice. And maybe that's not the intent, but that's certainly how it feels on this end. And so you were told on the floor after we had a lively debate, a positive debate, and it was voted out of General into Select that the Speaker would work with me over the four-day weekend. That did not happen. And the excuse was that we were going to be overriding the Governor's veto and, and that was the priority which I could be empathetic with. So I worked over the four-day weekend and I was ready to get on Select. And I was ready to take everybody's, "hey, I love this bill, but" questions and we had an answer for each and every question. And I handed those out yesterday, by the way, which many of you put directly into the recycling bin. So I knew it was going to be an uphill battle. But when I saw that it was going to get put on Select, I had a little hope. Then I saw that it was at the end of Select on a long day, and I didn't have a whole lot of hope, but I at least knew that Nebraskans were going to have the opportunity to hear who stood for it, who didn't, and why it was important to them to get it to the ballot. So imagine my surprise when we couldn't even be given an hour because allegedly it was going to be filibustered. But with all due respect, just because your bill is filibustered or the potential for a

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filibuster doesn't mean you don't have the right to debate that filibuster unless somebody chooses differently, which is purely what happened, just like we didn't take a vote on Senator Hunt's bill yesterday. You heard all day long we would go to 11:59. All day long, but we didn't. You heard Senator Brewer talk about how people are insincere. It's true. But when it's a mass effort of people being insincere and lying to your face, is that good policy making? Is that being a good peer? Not really. I worked hard on this bill. I talked about it for years. We're being told to take it and make it into a bill. But you know what, six people before me have tried. Nobody wants to stop unfunded mandates. And do you know why? Because then we would have to be responsible for all of our spending. We talk about cutting budgets. We don't really want to cut the budgets that much. We talk about lowering property taxes. Well, yeah, we want to do the fancy stuff that we could raise our flag and get behind and have press conferences on. We don't want to shore up the foundation that really is going to make property taxes lower. It's clear. Ben Nelson, Governor Ben Nelson put together committees to talk about unfunded mandates, especially pertaining to schools. Senator Fischer, Senator Crawford, Senator Heath Mello, Senator Justin Wayne. The list is long. Now I count my blessings. I got all the way to Select. That's the furthest that something has ever gotten in reference to unfunded mandates. But friends, no matter what you're going to be told on the mike, if people are in the queue to talk about what happened last night, the way it happened was bad form. Promises were made, promises were not kept. To say that we knew something was going to be filibustered so why bother, is that your choice to make when you've told the entire body we were staying to a certain time? I would have been happy with an hour, an hour. I would be happy with a half an hour, but I didn't get that choice. I didn't get the choice to work with the, the Speaker to see if we could make it better. And to say this, this constitutional malarkey, not the word I want to use, we were able to prove that that's not right also. To say that we had implementation, friends, that's not right. If you had read your emails on March 30, you saw that implementation comes afterwards like they did with LB840-- LB830-- LB840. Sorry, we're all real tired. Look at your emails from March 30 for those that you that actually answer your own emails. I worked hours and hours and days and literally years to come up with what we finally came up with. Am I bitter? I am not. Am I disappointed? I am disappointed. Am I a sore loser? I didn't lose anything. I didn't get a chance to even state my case. We had pull motions this year and we were the bad people if we didn't support pull motions. But for those of us that go through the process, beware. Does it matter what party you are? Maybe. Does it matter who your closest

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friends are on the floor? Maybe. Does it matter who the loudest is? Possibly. All I know, all I know is I didn't get a fair deal. And Senator-- Speaker Hilgers came up to me a couple of weeks ago and he's like, what's wrong with you, you're always so happy and you're always cheerful? And, and I said, you know, Speaker Hilgers, I'm beginning to lose my faith in humanity. The things that I have seen happen this year are starting to make me lose my faith in humanity. I love being a state senator. I loved working on the hard issues four years. I love trying to find sustainable issues that really do help our property taxes. People can stand up and say whatever they want about whether unfunded and underfunded mandates don't raise our property taxes. But the vast majority of you when you were helping love my bill on the first round said that you agreed with the premise. So just remember, I have a very long memory as many of the other senators who are angry this year have said. I don't say that because I'm angry. I say that because I have a very long memory and there's a lot of senators here that can tell you that I've told them things from their freshman years that they don't even remember. I would ask that if anybody is in the queue that wants to be contentious, take, take yourself out of the queue. We'll just get to a vote and move on. I've said what I want to say. You have a lot of important bills on Final Reading. I support a lot of those important bills. I could go scorch earth today because I do have the ability, and even though I'm going on two-hours sleep, I have the energy to do that. But I'm not going to do that because I respect all of you. I respect your efforts that you were allowed to go through the process and that you got the respect that you deserved when you went through the process.

FOLEY: One minute.

BLOOD: And for those of you in the three rows in front of me, not a single one of you looked at me during this speech. Not once. Well, there you go, Senator Gragert. Thank you. It's appreciated. I'm not schooling you. I'm not cussing you out. I just want to be heard. I think we all want to be heard at one time or another when we're here on the floor. And today was my day. So with that, I would actually pull my motion. We won't even have to take it to a vote.

FOLEY: Motion has been withdrawn. Proceeding to LB887. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 34 ayes [SIC--36], 3 nays, Mr. President, to dispense with the at-large reading.

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FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB887.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB887 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Pahls and Wayne. 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB887 passes. Proceeding to LB925. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: [Read LB925 on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB925 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Clements, Friesen, Geist, Moser, Slama. Not voting: Senators Pahls and Wayne. 42 ayes, 5 nays, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB925 passes. Proceeding to LB925A.

CLERK: [Read LB925A on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB925A pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

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CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Clements, Friesen, Geist, Hughes, Jacobson, Moser, Slama. Not voting: Senators Lowe, Morfeld, Pahls, and Wayne. 36 ayes, 9 nays, 2 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB925A passes. Next bill is LB964. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB964.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB964 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Pahls and Wayne. 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused not voting, Mr President.

FOLEY: LB964 passes. Proceeding to LB1236. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 37 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB1236.]

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FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1236 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Linehan, Pahls, and Wayne. 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB1236 passes. Proceeding to LB1246. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 39 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB1246.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1246 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Pahls and Wayne. 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB1246 passes. Proceeding to LR283CA. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Matt Hansen has pending FA184. You want to withdraw? Thank you, Senator. [Read LR283CA on Final Reading.]

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FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure, question is, shall LR283CA pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Pahls and Wayne. 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LR283CA passes. Proceeding to LB519. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 37 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB519.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB519 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Brandt, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Brewer, Clements, Erdman, Halloran, Moser. Not voting: Senators Hughes, Lowe, Murman, Pahls and Wayne. 37 ayes, 7 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB519 passes. Proceeding to LB707e. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

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FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB707.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB707e pass with the emergency clause attached? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Machaela Cavanaugh, Halloran, Pahls, and Wayne. 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB707e passes with the emergency clause attached. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Cavanaugh, Machaela, I have motion 210 and AM2749 with notes you wish to withdraw. That's all that I had, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The first vote on LB809 is dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 3 [SIC--5] nays, Mr. President, to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB809.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB809 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, (Bostelman), Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh-- John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson,

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Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, (Wishart). Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Bostelman, Machaela Cavanaugh, Wishart, Pahls, and Wayne. 45 [SIC--46] ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB809 passes. Proceeding to LB809A.

CLERK: [Read LB809A on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB809A pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, Pahls, and Wayne. 46 ayes, 0 nays, 2-- excuse me, 1 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB809A passes. Proceeding to LB863. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB863.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB863 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama,

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Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, Pahls, and Wayne. 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB863 passes. Proceeding to LB1015. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Cavanaugh, I have AM2726, AM2725, and motion 208. Want to withdraw those? (Withdrawn) [Read LB1015 on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1015 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Matt Hansen, Hunt. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Pahls, and Wayne. 42 ayes, 4 nays, 1 present not voting, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB1015 passes. Proceeding to LB1023e. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Cavanaugh, AM2691 and motion 207. Mr. President, Senator Cavanaugh would move to return AM2691 to Select File for a specific amendment.

FOLEY: Senator Cavanaugh, you're recognized to open on your motion.

M. CAVANAUGH: Thank you, Mr. President. Colleagues, I did put this amendment up here a couple of days ago before I realized the timeline and when this would be scheduled. This amendment is to specifically say that eminent domain will not be used. I know that's a conversation we've had a lot in here back and forth. And I do believe if we were to pull this back from Final to Select today and it would carry over tomorrow then it would have to be on Final on our last day, which is the veto override day. So I understand if people don't want to do that, but I did think it was important to have the conversation about whether or not we wanted to do eminent domain or exclude eminent domain as an option. So I put it up there. So that's it. We can either vote for it or not. Thank you.

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FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Cavanaugh. Any discussion on the motion? I see none. Senator Cavanaugh, you're recognized to close on your motion. She waives closing. Question before the body is whether or not to return the bill to Select File. Those in favor of returning the bill to Select File vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

CLERK: 6 ayes, 30 nays on the motion to return the bill, Mr. President.

FOLEY: The motion is not successful. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 2 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: [Read title of LB1023.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1023e pass with the emergency clause attached? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Clements, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Machaela Cavanaugh, Friesen, Matt Hansen, Hunt, Moser. Not voting: Senators John Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Pahls, and Wayne. 38 ayes, 6 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB1023e passes with the emergency clause attached. Proceeding to LB1112.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hughes would move to return LB2836 [SIC--LB1112] to Select File for a specific amendment, AM2836.

FOLEY: Senator Hughes, you're recognized to open on your motion.

HUGHES: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning, colleagues. I've had a chance to do a little more digging into this bill and have

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had conversations with Senator McKinney and Senator Walz on this bill, and they have assured me that they will work on it over the summer. But I still have some problems with this bill. What it amounts to is we have a company that has determined that we need to have additional computer skills for their benefit because that is the business that they are in. They have hired a lobby firm and the result of that is this legislation. I don't think that's the way we should be doing our curriculum in our schools. We have a State Board of Education and I'm certainly no fan of the current State Board of Education. I hope there are some significant changes in that membership in this coming election. But this is not the way we should be creating curriculum in our schools by businesses coming to the body spending money on a lobby firm and getting legislation passed to this point. The same thing could happen if in agriculture we need more tractor drivers. This legislation says we shall be teaching computer skills in elementary and junior high. If I have a tractor driving school and we need more tractor drivers, do I come to the Legislature, hire a lobby firm, and get a bill passed that we have tractor driving courses for elementary and junior high students? This is not the right way we go about creating curriculum for our children. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Hughes. Discussion on the motion? Senator Friesen.

FRIESEN: Thank you, Mr. President. I've spoken about this when we were moving the bill, and I agree with Senator Hughes when we look at how we're doing things in this body and we're micromanaging education when the State Board of Education should be doing these things if they're needed. But if you are starting now to go back into our high schools because you need employees, what bothers me more is sometimes you can take juniors and seniors and start to head them in a direction in their, in their career where maybe you have siloed them and put them into a career where there isn't a, a higher end goal. It's not to say that this wouldn't fit some students, but when you start to take people, and this reminds me a little bit of the education when I was in China, each path along the way, when you developed your skills, they determined where you would go next and suddenly you're off in the ditch digging field and there's no path forward to doing anything else. I'm not-- it's just the system of what you're doing is you could get kids who might think this is pretty cool and suddenly they've been pushed off into this and they've given up other education goals that they could have achieved into different types of work. And instead, you're taking someone in high school and giving them a direction that in the end might not be in their best long-term interest, but you are creating employees for your field of choice. And again, I think this

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is where the State Board of Education should enter into that and be doing that if it's needed. And I would say at this point when I've looked at the results of our K-12 education system right now, I would say that this should not be one of their top priorities because first, we have to make sure kids graduate, that they can read, write, and do arithmetic. And I think we're struggling in some places to get that done. And so to add something like this just because there's a company in Nebraska that would like to employ kids straight out of high school, I think that opportunity is always there. I have seen some employers now going to high schools and recruiting kids and saying that they will continue their education if they would come work for them. The possibilities are there. We don't have to create specific programs in high school to create these workers. I do believe that's where businesses should step up. This is where community colleges should step in. This is where businesses should step into the community colleges and have these-- it can be a short program there. They don't have to be a an 18-month program or a four-year program. Maybe they could design a six-month program for high school graduates that this company would like to hire. That's where community colleges come in. High schools are not there to prepare employees for work. I don't feel. First, they have to develop the soft skills that are required, then you can start talking about adding something else. But right now, the way we do our education system, I strongly feel that the State Board of Education, if this was a needed curriculum, they should be stepping up and doing this. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Friesen. Senator Erdman.

ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning. I spoke on this bill as well when it was up before. Since we heard this bill several times, I've had several correspondence from school superintendents, especially in the rural part of the state, this is an unfunded mandate that they won't be able to meet. They can't find teachers to teach math and science and those things that they now currently need teachers for. And they have shared that there won't be anybody that they can find to teach this class. And the comment was made, they can do this online. They can take this instruction online. It's not the same, it's not the same as being in-person instruction. I was hoping that Senator Hughes's bill was to bracket the bill, but it wasn't. We are not-- the state does not prohibit, and the Department of Education does not prohibit a school from doing this. But this bill, according to the committee statement requires, requires beginning in '24-25 that each school district with consultation with the Nebraska Department of Education include computer science and technology education in their instructional program. In elementary and middle school, it's a

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requirement. If we had a decent Board of Education or if we had a decent Department of Education, they would understand the need to instruct people and educate them that they're able to compete in the world they're about to send them out into. But what we have is about 70 percent of our high school graduates when they go to the junior college, they have to take remedial math and remedial English to get in. So somebody failed us somewhere, and that's our education system. And so I would appreciate the fact that-- we're not putting up a bracket motion, but when this does come to a vote, I would encourage you to vote no. Several reasons. One, they can already do this, but two, this is an unfunded mandate that rural schools, the small schools will have a very difficult time accomplishing. And I don't know what they will do then, I guess the department will grant them immunity. I don't know what they'll do, but it's time for us to get out of this type of legislation. And Senator Hughes stated it quite well when he said a, a group or a business came and hired a lobbyist to lobby people to get this passed and it works. The only problem we have in the state is the citizens don't have any lobbyists except for a few of us that want to stand up for their rights. And there are so few of us it doesn't make much difference, but those lobbyists are very effective. They are the second house. And so vote to bring it back to Select File. And then if that amendment passes, then vote to kill the bill. Thank you.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Senator Moser.

MOSER: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. I've had contact from a couple of schools in my district who have objections to this bill. It, it-- computer education is important and most all the high schools do use computers or do teach some form of computer education as part of their educational efforts as it is. But my concern and their concerns were that this adds another level of requirement to graduate and the vast majority of kids graduate, 75, 80 percent of them in Nebraska. But when you have some of those on the margin that are struggling to graduate and you add another requirement, then that's going to make a few more of those have a problem, another barrier to their graduation. So I, I don't think we should make it more difficult for kids to graduate from high school. For some, that's going to be their sole claim to employment is they graduated from high school. And if you don't have that degree, then your wage, you're going to make less money over time. It's just one of those things that employers want to see, is they want to see that you graduated. Then we're getting into telling the schools how to teach. I think that's-- in this area, I think it's wrong. I think they're already doing it. It's an unfunded mandate. It's-- they're going to have to respond to this requirement

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somehow officially. I mean, they're already doing it. But this is going to make an official mandate that they make this as as a graduation requirement. And I just don't think that that's a good idea. I, I think for some it's difficult to graduate as it is. And you know, I, I hate to come out as being against computer education. I'm not. I, you know, I can use a computer. I think most schools are already doing it, but I think we should just let them do that at their own speed and the way that their school board wants to approach this problem. I don't think we should be adding another unfunded mandate. Thank you.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Moser. Senator McKinney.

McKINNEY: Thank you, Mr. President. I rise against a motion to return to Select. Throughout this process, I have said multiple times that, one, that the curriculum for computer science education is free to all school districts. I've also said repeatedly to multiple, multiple individuals in this body that I'm willing to work on finding a way to make it work in whatever way for other, other districts outside of the one that I represent. I've spoken with the Department of Education and they said over the interim, there are some small tweaks that can be made to make this more workable for rural schools. I've been nothing but fair, honest, and willing to work with anybody throughout this whole process. And I just dislike this AM because of that. Multiple people have come up and talked to me and asked me questions, and I've been nothing but honest. I didn't lead anybody, any type of way. I didn't lie. I didn't say something that wasn't true. I, I, I kept it honest the whole time throughout this whole process. And I just would hope you all would vote green on-- will vote no on the motion or return to Select and shoot down the AM as well. But vote green on LB1112. I truly believe-- and this isn't about a business coming to me and saying, Senator McKinney, can you introduce this bill? I introduced a financial literacy bill last year and no business came to me. I truly believe that our, our kids need to be prepared for the future, and I don't care if you live in rural Nebraska or north Omaha. I think we should be preparing our kids for the future. And it's an investment for the future for our state, because if we don't our kids won't be prepared and we won't be able to attract business to our state. That's why I introduced this bill because we have to look towards the future. And that's our job as legislators or senators to look towards the future to prepare our kids for the future. I look at it as investment to the future for our state to make our state more viable when we're talking about retention and recruiting people to come here. We can't recruit anybody if, if our kids aren't prepared. This is what it's about. It's not about a business or, or anything

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like that. It's about making sure our kids have the proper education to be successful once they graduate high school. And not every kid is going to be a tech programmer or whatever else. It's not just about programming and coding. When you look at the future and you look at the jobs, emerging jobs, everything is technology-based and our kids are either going to learn how to do it or they're not. And most kids, I know five-year-olds that can operate an iPhone and a laptop better than me. Five. This is-- that's all it's about. I would encourage you not to vote to return it to Select, vote down the amendment and vote green on LB1112. And if you have a question, come to me and ask me the question. If you want to work over the interim to make it work for your district, come and talk to me. Thank you.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator McKinney. Senator Flood.

FLOOD: Thank you, Mr. President. Members, I am in support of Senator McKinney's bill. I don't like the idea of dictating to the Department of Education what the curriculum should be, but it hasn't stopped us here over the last couple of years and I've participated. Here's why I think this is a critical issue. I passed out this chart here that basically shows you data based from McKinsey what the impact of automation is going to have on the jobs by industry in the United States. My district's like a lot of yours, we have a lot of low-skill, low-wage jobs, which doesn't mean they work any less hard than anybody else. They probably earn every cent times ten versus a lot of other jobs out there. But the reality is by 2030, by 2030, these jobs are going to start disappearing because the economy is building automation that reduces the people in the middle of the workforce supply chain by disintermediating it, meaning think of Uber, there used to be taxi cab drivers and dispatchers. There's now neither, somebody driving by hooks up with somebody that wants a ride and it's all in the gig economy. The way you're creating wealth right now in America is by creating automated systems that get rid of those jobs in the middle. And we are sitting ducks in Nebraska. Wealth is being created in Boston, in Austin, in San Jose because they are creating the systems that are disintermediating the, the economy and they are creating the wealth. And what are they doing? They're creating solutions using technology to get rid of the people that are working in low-skill, low-wage jobs in states like ours. I actually think this is an emergency. A workforce emergency. And that's why I'm supporting Senator McKinney's bill. You should know that I didn't even know about Senator McKinney's bill, but last session I introduced an interim resolution, LR204, to study the benefits of teaching coding to our elementary school kids and getting them really able to be able to navigate IT and software development. Here's what's happening, Nucor

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Steel back in 1975 had 800 people working there. Today, there's under 400 people and they are looking for software engineers to run the machines that make the beams. They are looking for people in IT to navigate this world. We all are. So I don't know where this idea comes that this is for one business. I know that the Nebraska Tech Collaborative has over 100 businesses in the state that are solely focused on trying to find and create more jobs-- well, find-- inspire more people to take jobs in IT. Let me just run through why this chart is so scary. In my district-- I want to go through them-- accommodation food services. I have a pork plant in Madison. By 2030, 73 percent of those food services jobs are going to be impacted seriously by automation. That means instead of 1,200 people, there will be 400 people, but a lot more software engineers and higher-paying jobs. Manufacturing, home to major manufacturing in my home county. Transportation warehousing, we have the Associated Wholesale Grocers, the old affiliated foods where we stock all of the grocery stores in Middle America. Jeff Bezos, he runs a warehouse like that with 100 people and a bunch of robots. We've got 800 people working there. Agriculture, if anybody knows what technology has done to agriculture,--

FOLEY: One minute.

FLOOD: --ask about the self-driving tractors. In order to make money on a farm, you need less people and more technology. And the last one is retail trade. The last time you went out to Walmart, did you check yourself out or were there eight checkers sitting there near the door? Everything is changing. This bill is necessary. I'm, I'm ashamed to say I haven't stood up on it before because I didn't think it had any problems. But I really think this is a choice that we're making and we're already behind the eight ball to be honest. This needs to pass. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Flood. Senator Walz.

WALZ: Thank you, Mr. President. When Senator McKinney, when we were voting on this in committee, I was the only present not voting, and it's because I really need to think about issues for a while. I'm a, I'm a planner and I'm very, very intentional about how we go about implementing things. I do stand in support of Senator McKinney's bill. It is important that we have a vision for our students and how we continue to provide them with an education and educational tools that will benefit our business community as well as our state. Computer technology is part of that future. At the same time, it is vitally important, vitally important that the legislation that we introduce is

intentional and that it will be effective. It will be effective as we implement those strategies in our school systems. It has to be a team effort. We do so much better when we work as a team to get things done, and it always has to be focused on the students and the instruction. I do understand the concerns, especially with our rural schools and the lack of resources and the lack of teachers right now and also the concern about the graduation requirement. Senator McKinney and I, along with the Department of Education and the business community, are really, truly committed to working together with our schools, with our schools to provide guidance and resources throughout the interim. When I visit schools, I see that there are a lot of really, really great things happening. Is Senator Murman on the floor? No. I, I visited Sandy Creek a few weeks ago, and what a great school. They really had to step out of the box and out of their comfort level to create the school environment that they created. But it is so awesome. There's a lot of great things happening. I really look at this as an opportunity to expand on the educational foundations that are already in place. We will need to develop new policies and we will need to provide additional resources and work on this bill over the interim. But I know that our schools and our business communities care about our kids and they care about our state. And I think that we are more than willing to work together, to roll up our sleeves, and start working on this important issue. I trust Senator McKinney, I trust our department, I trust the business community, and we look forward to starting to work on this right after session is over. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Walz. I'll pause the discussion for a moment. Senator Pansing Brooks would like us to recognize some guests today. We have with us Kim Widner of Bellevue, Tricia Ridder of Kearney, and Mary Ridder, member of the Public Service Commission, District 5 in Callaway. Those guests are with us in the north balcony. If those guests could please rise, we'd like to welcome you to the Nebraska Legislature. Continuing discussion. Senator Linehan.

LINEHAN: Thank you, Mr. President. So there's some confusion here, I think. And we've had a lot of discussions about Department of Ed over the summer. But here, here is-- and Senator Albrecht has spoken to this several times. The Department of Ed can only prescribe-- can only do what the Legislature prescribes. So the idea that the Department of Ed can do this without us prescribing is just not, they can't. They can only do what we prescribe. And as far as getting a degree graduating from high school, that's critically important. I agree. But the degree needs to mean something. And we know, whether we want to talk about it or not, we have kids graduating, they're getting a

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degree, but they can't fill out an application. And most applications now, even to work at a fast food restaurant, are online. This is like critical to the success of our students. And it wasn't just one company or one lobbyist. I looked up the committee statement. These are the people that actually came to the hearing: Nebraska Tech Collaborative, the Greater Omaha Chamber, the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the AIM Institute, Hudl, Leading [SIC--Emerging] Ladies Academy, Apsky, Code.org, Heartland Workforce Solutions. And who was there that really impressed me was Metropolitan Community College, because when they graduate from high school, they're not going to succeed at Metro unless they have these skills. Who are the companies that support this? It's not just one company. Here are the companies that support this: Nelnet, Kiewit, Union Pacific, LinkedIn, Chief Industries, Microsoft, Google, Lindsay Corporation, and Werner Trucking [SIC--Enterprises]. That pretty much covers the state. That's ag, it's tech, it's every industry. Because you're not going to be successful when you graduate from high school, whether you go straight to a job or whether you go to community college or whether you go to a university or state college, if you're not going to have these skills. We've, we've-- I don't know how many schools, even in my small town, little school, Lewiston Consolidated Schools, every kid from kindergarten on has a computer or a laptop. So if they have the equipment, why would we not teach them the skills? We've invested the funds? I don't-- maybe we didn't speak well enough to this as a committee when this was up on Select or General File. But the whole committee, Education Committee, supports this bill. And as far as the schools, we have lots of hearings in Education where, oh, a dozen schools show up or six organizations that are in the public school lobby and then six different schools. One person came representing schools who was not for this bill, one. That's almost unheard of. We need to pass this. Thank you, Mr. President.

FOLEY: Thank you, Senator Linehan. Senator Hughes.

HUGHES: Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning again, colleagues. This has been a very good discussion. There are some things that were said that we needed to get on the record to make sure that whatever this bill actually looks like when it goes into implementation, that it works for all schools. I agree with most everything that's been said this morning. Senator Linehan, yeah, most of the students in my district have computers from elementary, junior high, high school. The school district provides them. So we are training our kids on-- with computer skills. But the challenge, what I'm hearing from my superintendents, is this is another layer that-- of challenges of

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finding someone certified to teach this curriculum. And that's where the pushback is coming from. I appreciate Senator McKinney and Senator Walz, they've been nothing but honest with me on this, and I've been honest with them of what I wanted to talk about when we got to this point and I wanted to make sure that the entire Legislature understood this issue moving forward because it does create a challenge for some smaller rural schools. And I hope that over the interim, over the summer, there can be something worked out. I looked at possibly exempting C and D size schools, but A, B, C and D are not in our statutes. It was quite interesting how we define school district sizes in our statutes. So there's lots of things to work for. Thank you, Mr. President. With that, I will withdraw AM2836.

FOLEY: The motion to return the bill has been withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, if you care to read the bill?

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1112 on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is shall LB1112 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Geist, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Brandt, Briese, Clements, Erdman, Friesen, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hughes, Moser. Not voting: Senators Brewer, Gragert, Murman, Pahls, Wayne. Vote is 33 ayes, 11 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB1112 passes. Proceeding to LB1112A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1112A on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1112A pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Geist, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Murman, Sanders,

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Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Brandt, Clements, Erdman, Friesen, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hughes, Jacobson, Moser. Not voting: Senators Brewer, Briese, Gragert, Pansing Brooks, Pahls, Wayne. Vote is-- Senator Pansing Brooks voting yes. Vote is 33 ayes, 11 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting.

FOLEY: LB1112A passes. Proceeding to LB1273. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I've got a notice here from Senator Matt Hansen that he wishes to amend, but a note that he wishes to withdraw.

FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. Those in favor of dispensing of the reading vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 38 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

FOLEY: The at-large reading has been dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1273.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB11-- excuse me, LB1273 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Not-- voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Pahls and Wayne. Vote is 47 ayes, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB1273 passes. Proceeding to LB1273A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1273A on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1273A pass? Those in favor vote aye; those supposed vote nay. Record, please.

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ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Pahls and Wayne. Vote is 47 ayes, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB1273A passes. Before proceeding, Senator Lindstrom would like us to recognize 30 fourth graders from Bennington Elementary School in Bennington, Nebraska. Those students are with us in the north balcony. Students please rise, like to welcome you to the Nebraska Legislature. Next bill is LB698. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I've got both an amendment and a motion from Senator Cavanaugh, both with notes to withdraw.

FOLEY: Please read the bill.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB698 on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB698 pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aquilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB698 passes. LB698A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB698A on Final Reading.]

FOLEY: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB698A pass? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

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ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

FOLEY: LB698A passes. Senator Ben Hansen would like us to recognize some guests today we have with us, 65 fourth graders from Fort Calhoun Community Schools, Fort Calhoun, Nebraska. Those students are with us in the north balcony. Students please rise, like to welcome you to the Nebraska Legislature. Stand at ease for a moment. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and I do hereby sign the following legislative bills: LB450, LB450A, LB436, LB717, LB769, LB780, LB820, LB840, LB864, LB887, LB925, LB925A, LB964, LB1236, LB1246, LR283CA, LB519, LB707e, LB809, LB809A, LB863, LB1015, LB1023e, LB1112, LB1112A, LB1273, LB1273A, LB698, and LB698A.

HILGERS: Next bill, Mr. Clerk. First vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 37 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB741.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB741 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators

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Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB741 passes. We'll now proceed to LB741A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB741A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB741A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted to wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Friesen, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 45 ayes, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB741A passes. We'll now proceed to LB750e and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 38 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB750.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB750e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators

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Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB750e passes with the emergency clause attached. We will now proceed to LB750A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB750A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB750A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senator Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB750A passes. We'll now turn to LB752 and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 39 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB752.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB752 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt-- excuse me, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart.

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Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne.
Vote is 46 ayes, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB752 passes. We'll now proceed to LB752A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB752A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB752A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB752A. We'll now proceed to LB804.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB804 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB804 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Stinner, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB804 passes. We will now proceed to LB804A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB804A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB804A pass? All those in favor

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vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Wishart, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 44 ayes, 2 present not voting, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB804A passes. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, first, there's a bracket motion from Senator Machaela Cavanaugh with a note she wishes to withdraw.

HILGERS: Mr. Clerk, the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 34 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB848.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB848 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, Dorn, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present not voting, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB848 passes. We'll now proceed to LB848A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB848A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB848A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB848A passes. We'll now turn to LB1037e.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1037 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1037e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1037e passes with the emergency clause attached. We'll now proceed to LB1037Ae.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1037A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1037Ae pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

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ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Lindstrom, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1037Ae passes with the emergency clause attached. We'll now proceed to LB1241e and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 35 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1241.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1241e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators McKinney, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 2 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB1241e passes with the emergency clause attached. We'll now proceed to LB1241Ae.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1241A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1241Ae pass with the emergency

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clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Day, Hunt, McKinney, Pahls, and Wayne. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB1241Ae passes with the emergency clause attached. We'll now proceed to LB800e and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 35 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB800.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB800e pass with the emergency clause attached. All those in favor vote aye: all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senator Pahls. Vote is 48 ayes, 1 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB800e passes with the emergency clause attached. We'll now proceed to LB852 and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

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ASSISTANT CLERK: 40 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB852.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB852 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Briese, John Cavanaugh, Machaela Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Geist, Gragert, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Murman, Pansing Brooks. Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Brewer, Clements, Erdman, Friesen, Halloran, Hughes, Lowe, Moser, Slama. Not voting: Senators Ben Hansen, Wayne, and Pahls. Vote is 36 ayes, 10 nays, 2 present not voting, 1 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB852 passes. We'll now proceed to LB902 and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 38 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB902.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB902 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not

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voting: Senator Pahls. The vote is 48 ayes, 0 nays, 1 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB902 passes. We'll now proceed to LB902A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB902A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB902A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senator Pahls. Vote is 48 ayes, 0 nays, 1 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB902A passes. We'll now proceed to LB917. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 36 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB917.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB917 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer and Pahls. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 1 excused not voting.

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HILGERS: LB917 passes. We will now proceed to LB917A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB917A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB917A pass? All those in favor vote aye: all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood-- excuse me, Erdman, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Arch, DeBoer, Flood, Matt Hansen, Pahls, and Wishart. Senator Matt Hansen voting yes. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB917A passes. We'll now proceed to LB977e.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB977 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB977e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Wayne, Williams. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, DeBoer, Hunt, Lathrop, Walz, Pahls, Wishart. Vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB977e passes with the emergency clause attached. We'll now proceed to LB977Ae.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB977A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB977Ae pass with the emergency

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clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, John Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Machaela Cavanaugh, DeBoer, Hunt, Pahls, and Wishart. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB977Ae passes with the emergency clause attached. We will now proceed to LB1016. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 36 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1016.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1016 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, DeBoer, Hughes, Pahls, and Wishart. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1016 passes. We will now proceed LB998e and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 35 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

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HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB998.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB998e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Pahls, and Wishart. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 2 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB998e passes with the emergency clause attached. We will now proceed to LB1068e.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1068 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1068e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Geist, Gragert, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, McCollister, McDonnell, Morfeld, Moser, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Clements, Erdman, Friesen, Halloran, Lowe, Murman, and Slama. Not voting: Senators Ben Hansen, Hughes, Linehan, McKinney, Pahls, and Wishart. Vote is 35 ayes, 8 nays, 4 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1068e passes with the emergency clause attached. Senator Geist would like to welcome 25 fourth-grade students from Saint Michael School in Lincoln. They're seated in the north balcony. Please rise and be welcomed by your Nebraska Legislature. We will, we will now proceed to LB1068Ae.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1068A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1068Ae pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Geist, Gragert, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, McCollister, McDonnell, Morfeld, Moser, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Clements, Erdman, Friesen, Halloran, Linehan, Slama. Not voting: Senators Ben Hansen, Hughes, Lowe, McKinney, Murman, Wayne, Pahls, and Wishart. Vote is 43 ayes [SIC--34], 7 nays, 6 present not voting, 2 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB1068Ae passes with the emergency clause attached. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign the following LBs: LB741, LB741A, LB750e, LB750A, LB752, LB752A, LB804, LB804A, LB848, LB848A, LB1037e, LB1037Ae, LB1241e, LB1241Ae, LB800e, LB852, LB902, LB902A, LB917, LB917A, LB977e, LB977Ae, LB1016, LB998e, LB1068e, and LB1068Ae. Mr. Clerk for items.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. Bills read this morning were presented to the Governor [LB450, LB450A, LB436, LB717, LB769, LB780, LB820, LB840, LB864, LB887, LB925, LB925A, LB964, LB1236, LB1246, LB519, LB707, LB809, LB809A, LB863, LB1015, LB1023, LB1112, LB1112A, LB1273, LB1273A, LB698, and LB698A]. Additionally, constitutional amendment read this morning [LR283CA] was presented to the Secretary of State. Notice of committee hearing from the Rules Committee. Committee reports: your Committee on Natural Resources, Chaired by Senator Bostelman, reports LB190, LB191, LB223, LB266, LB305, LB395, LB399, LB468, LB483, LB506, LB513, LB562, LB573, LB589, LB591, LB606, LB615, LB617, LB618, LB627, LB668, LB683, LB736, LB746, LB775, LB803, LB924, LB978, LB1046, LB1081, LB1185, LB1186 as indefinitely postponed. New legislative resolution: LR452 from Senator Walz. That will be laid over. Senator McDonnell, LR453. That will also be laid over. LR454 from Senator Hilgers. That will be laid over. LR455 from Senator Ben Hansen. That will be laid over. LR456 from Senator Vargas also laid over. LR457 from Senator Vargas also laid over. And LR458 from Senator Vargas additionally laid over. Name adds: Senator Matt Hansen name added to LB888, LB1024, LB1130, and LR263CA.

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Finally, Mr. President, a priority motion. Senator Lindstrom would move to recess the body until 1:00 p.m.

HILGERS: Colleagues, pursuant to the agenda, when we come back at 1:00, we will go to LB1024e and LB1024Ae and then we will go back to LB1065 and continue on with the agenda. Colleagues, you've heard the motion. All those in favor say aye. Opposed nay. We are in recess.

[RECESS]

HILGERS: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. The afternoon session is about to reconvene. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call. Mr. Clerk, please record.

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

HILGERS: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Do you have any items for the record?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Two items, Mr. President. Various bills read on Final Reading this morning have been presented to the Governor [LB741, LB741A, LB750, LB750A, LB752, LB752A, LB804, LB804A, LB848, LB848A, LB1037, LB1037A, LB1241, LB1241A, LB800, LB852, LB902, LB902A, LB917, LB917A, LB977, LB977A, LB1016, LB998, LB1068, LB1068A.] New resolution: LR459 by Senator Day. That will be laid over. That's all I have at this time.

HILGERS: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Colleagues, we are going to continue on Final Reading so please return to your seats. And while we do that, we will welcome some guests. Senator Kolterman would like to welcome 14 fourth-grade students, one teacher, and five sponsors from Emmanuel-Faith Lutheran in York. They are seated in the north balcony. Please rise and be welcomed by your Nebraska Legislature. And Senator Moser would like to welcome 46 fourth- and fifth-grade students from St. Bonaventure in Columbus. They are also seated in the north balcony. Please rise and be welcomed by your Nebraska Legislature. Senator Hilkemann, we are on Final Reading. Senator Hilkemann, we're on Final Reading. Please return to your seat. Colleagues, we will turn to the one o'clock agenda and the first bill is LB1024e and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 34 ayes, 7 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

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HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1024.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1024e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Bostelman. Not voting: Senators Hughes, Aguilar, and Pahls. Vote is 45 ayes, 1 nay, 1 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1024e passes with the emergency clause attached. We will now proceed to LB1024Ae.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1024 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1024Ae pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Bostelman. Not voting: Senators Hughes, Lowe, Aguilar, and Pahls. Vote is 44 ayes, 1 nay, 2 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1024Ae passes with the emergency clause attached. Senator Gragert would like to welcome 41 fifth- and sixth-grade students and nine teachers from O'Neill Elementary, who were also members of the Soundsational Singers who sang in the Rotunda over the lunch hour. They are seated in the south balcony. Please rise and be welcomed by

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your Nebraska Legislature. And Senator Machaela Cavanaugh would like to welcome a few very special guests. We'll start with Della, Hattie, and Barrett, her children. Please rise. And they are with her saintly patient father, also in the south balcony, and Senator Cavanaugh's husband, Nick. If you could all rise and be welcomed by your Nebraska Legislature. Colleagues, we will now return to finish the remainder of the nonconsent Final Reading. The next bill is LB1065 and the first vote is the vote to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 39 ayes, 2 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1065.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1065 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Erdman. Not voting Senators Aguilar and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 1 nay, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1065 passes. We will now proceed to LB1069e and the first vote is the vote to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 38 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1069.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1069e pass with the emergency

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clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne [SIC], Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht, Clements, Erdman, and Halloran. Not voting: Senators Lowe, Wayne, and Pahls. Vote is 42 ayes, 4 nays, 2 present not voting, 1 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1069e passes with the emergency clause attached. We'll now proceed LB1102 and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 39 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1102.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1102 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators McKinney, Wayne, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present not voting, 1 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1102 passes. We'll now proceed to 11-- LB1102A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1102A on Final Reading.]

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HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1102A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Pahls. Vote is 48 ayes, 0 nays, 1 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB1102A passes. We'll now turn to the Final Reading consent calendar. First bill.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB29 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB29e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, DeBoer, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senator Pahls. Vote is 48 ayes, 0 nays, 1 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB29e passes with the emergency clause attached. We'll now turn to LB59.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB59 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB59 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

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ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer and Pahls. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB59 passes. We'll now proceed to LB75.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB75 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB75 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Wayne, DeBoer, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 2 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB75 passes. We will now proceed to LB91 and the first vote is the vote to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. One second, everyone. We are having a little bit of a malfunction. OK, please proceed. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 35 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB91.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB91 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

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HILGERS: LB91 passes. We will now proceed to LB691.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB691 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB691 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer and Pahls. Vote is 47 ayes, 0 nays, 2 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB691 passes. We'll now proceed to LB697.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB697 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB697 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not

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voting: Senators DeBoer, Matt Hansen, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB697 passes. We'll now proceed to LB697A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB697A on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB697A pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Flood, DeBoer, Matt Hansen, and Pahls. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB697A passes. We will now proceed to LB705e and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 30 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading, Mr. President.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB705.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to the procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB705e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner,

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Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Matt Hansen, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB705e passes with the emergency clause attached. We will now proceed to LB742 and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 35 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB742.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB742 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Briese, Lowe, Moser, DeBoer, Matt Hansen, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 42 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present not voting, 4 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB742 passes. We will now turn to LB779.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB779 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB779 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney,

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Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB779 passes. We will now proceed to LB795.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB795 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB795 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB795 passes. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, next bill, LB807, I do have a motion from Senator Lowe to bracket the bill until April 13.

HILGERS: Senator Lowe, you're recognized to open on your motion.

LOWE: Thank you, Speaker. This will just take five minutes so if you want to get up, stretch your legs, and, and do anything else you need to do, I'm going to speak for about five minutes and then I'm going to draw-- withdraw this motion. So we're moving along quite well today and I, I thank the Speaker for moving us along, but sitting for an hour can get a little tough. So I don't know what I'm going to say for five minutes, but I'm going to talk for five minutes or I'll ask people questions, yeah. Senator Wayne, would you yield to a question?

HILGERS: Senator Wayne, would you yield?

WAYNE: Yes.

LOWE: Thank you, Senator Wayne. Your bill, LB1024, passed today. How do you feel about that?

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WAYNE: It's a historic moment. I feel a lot of pressure. There's going to be a lot of scrutiny and a lot of eyes on us and we're going to have to make sure we deliver not just for our community but for this body. This body has entrusted us to transform our community and we got to step up and make sure we get it done.

LOWE: Senator Wayne, I think you and Senator McKinney are doing a great job for your districts and Senator Vargas, I think I can add you on to that too.

WAYNE: I noticed McDonnell was left out. [LAUGHS]

LOWE: But, you know, this Legislature and this year is coming to an end and I hope all of our feelings can come back together again where we can get around and shake hands and go out and have dinner together. Maybe we'll do that tonight, maybe not, but this has been an interesting one, for sure. Senator Slama-- I yield the rest of my time to Senator Slama.

HILGERS: Senator Slama, 7:45.

SLAMA: Oh, Senator Lowe, you are too kind, especially with the knowledge that I have a final presentation for a class coming up in just over an hour so that is very kind of you. It's my insurance law final presentation that I'm currently writing on the floor because apparently leading a filibuster is not the best time to put together a final presentation for one's class. So with that Senator Lowe, I, I will ask if he will yield to a question.

HILGERS: Senator Lowe, would you yield?

LOWE: No.

SLAMA: I have a lot of feelings about that, Senator Lowe. Senator Lowe, will you yield for a question?

LOWE: Yes, I will.

SLAMA: Given my upcoming deadline in class presentation, would you be willing to take over this brief break time?

LOWE: Yes, I will.

SLAMA: Thank you very much.

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LOWE: Thank you. So this is just a break so we can all stretch your legs. For those on TV, we've been sitting for an hour and it was after lunch so we just thought we'd get up and stretch our legs a little. This is not a filibuster or anything like that. This is just a courtesy bracket so I'll give everybody about a minute to get back to their seats. Senator Pansing Brooks, have you gone through all your names already? Well, I was going to yield you some time to do that, so. OK, just the important people. The people that weren't important you haven't gone through yet, right? OK. Well, I think people are starting to mosey back so I think I'll yield the rest of my time back to the Chair and I withdraw my motion.

HILGERS: The motion is withdrawn. Senator Kolterman, for what purpose do you rise?

KOLTERMAN: Point of personal privilege.

HILGERS: Please proceed.

KOLTERMAN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I normally wouldn't talk about this, but I put in a resolution yesterday, LR450, and I had some help from Patty Pansing Brooks, Senator Brooks. She helped circulate this LR for me, primarily to all the female senators in the body. Betty Jean Kolterman is my mother. She's 92 years old. Last Friday, she got an award. She's been a 70-year member of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs. She remains very active in organizations and she received this award from her peers as 2022 Federation of the Women's Club Club Woman of the Year. Now, my mom was a woman's libber before the term was coined. She is my role model and a great mother and a great grandmother, great grandmother, great great grandmother. Several years ago, I sat down with my mother and suggested she slow down, get out of a few of her organizations and responsibilities. Her response to me was your opinion, your opinion is duly noted, but that's not going to happen. She watches us every day and tells us when I voted wrong. So I'm pleased to be your son. Love you, mom. Thank you for the personal privilege.

HILGERS: Thank you, Senator Kolterman. Members, we're still on Final Reading so please return to your seats. The next bill is LB807, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB807 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB807 pass? All those in favor

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vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senator Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sander, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB807 passes. We'll now proceed to LB808 and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 33 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB808.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB808 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Brewer and Erdman. Not voting: Senators Aguilar, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Senator Aguilar voting yes. Voted 44 ayes, 2 nays, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB808 passes. We'll now proceed to LB824.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB824 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB824 pass? All those in favor

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vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB824 passes. We'll now proceed to LB829. First vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 32 ayes, 6 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB829.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB829 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, Dorn, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht, Brewer, Clements, Erdman, and Halloran. Not voting: Senators Lowe, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 40 ayes, 5 nays, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB829 passes. We'll now proceed to LB851.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB851 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB851 pass? All those in favor

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vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, Dorn, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Clements, Erdman, and Halloran. Not voting: Senators Jacobson, Lowe, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 4-- 39 ayes, 5 nays, 2 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB851 passes. We'll now proceed to LB855.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB855 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB855 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting: Senators Wayne, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Senator Wayne voting yes. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB855 passes. We'll now proceed to LB856.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB856 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB856 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, Dorn, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Ben Hansen, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan,

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McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senators Clements, Erdman, Halloran. Not voting: Senators Albrecht, Lowe, Wayne, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 40 ayes, 3 nays, 3 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB856 passes. We will now proceed to LB905.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB905 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of the law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB905 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: none. Not voting Senators Albrecht, Dorn, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present not voting, three excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB905 passes. We will now proceed to LB908 and the first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 36 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB908.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB908 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Ben Hansen, Matt Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson,

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Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, and Wishart. Voting nay: Senator Albrecht. Not voting: Senators Lowe, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 44 ayes, 1 nay, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB908 passes. We will now proceed to LB971.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB971 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB971 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Morfeld, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB971 passes. Turning to LB983.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB983 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB983 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB983 passes. We'll now turn to LB1007.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1007 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative, relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1007 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1007 passes. We will now proceed to LB1057. The first vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 35 ayes, 4 nays, to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1057.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1057 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed voting nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1057 passes. We will now proceed with LB1082.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1082 on Final Reading.]

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HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1082 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senator Clements. Excused-- not voting-- excuse me, not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. The vote is 45 ayes, 1 nay, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1082 passes. We will now turn to LB1092.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1092 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1092 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Briese, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1092 passes. We'll now turn to LB1124.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1124 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1124 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers,

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Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators John and Machaela Cavanaugh, Senator DeBoer, Senator Lindstrom, and Senator Pahls. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1124 passes. We'll now proceed to LB1137. First vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 34 ayes, 5 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1137.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1137 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Blood, Bostar, Brandt, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Day, Dorn, Flood, Gragert, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hunt, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Brewer, Clements, Erdman, Geist, Halloran, Jacobson. Not voting: Senators Arch, Friesen, Hughes, Lowe, DeBoer, Lindstrom, Pahls. Vote is 34 ayes, 8 nays, 4 present not voting, 3 excused not voting.

HILGERS: LB1137 passes. We'll now proceed to 11-- LB1147e. First vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 34 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1147.]

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HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1147e pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. The vote is 46 ayes, 0 nays, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1147e passes with the emergency clause attached. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, first a priority motion. Senator Hunt would move to return LB1148 to committee.

HILGERS: Senator Hunt, you're recognized to open on your motion.

HUNT: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'll withdraw this in just a minute. I was chuckling with my neighbors around me on the vote on my bill, on the name, image, and likeness bill, because you guys don't even know what that does. You people who voted against it have really no clue what it does. You fools. That's the bill that says it can't be Planned Parenthood. It can't be Hooters. That's the morality police bill that says who can and can't be sponsoring these kids. So Albrecht, Brewer, all you usual suspects of the morality police, congratulations for voting against that bill. You all say it's never about the introducer. It's always about the merits of the bill. Well, with that vote, you proved yourself wrong with that. That bill was for you. Thank you, Mr. President. I'll withdraw my motion.

HILGERS: Motion is withdrawn. The first vote will be the vote to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 36 ayes, 3 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1148.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1148 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Slama, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Bostar, Wayne, DeBoer, Lindstrom, and Pahls. Senator Bostar voting yes. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 3 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1148 passes. We'll now turn to LB1165. First vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 34 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1165.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1165 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Wayne, DeBoer, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Slama. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 4 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1165 passes. We'll now turn to LB1178.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1178 on Final Reading.]

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HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1178 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted who wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Arch, DeBoer, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Slama. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, 4 excused not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1178 passes. Senator Briese would like to welcome 28 sixth-grade students from Ravenna Middle, Middle School and High School in Ravenna. They are seated in the north balcony. Please rise and be recognized by your Nebraska Legislature. Doesn't appear there are high school students up there. Got that wrong. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read LB1184 on Final Reading.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1184 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have all those voted wish to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 45 ayes, no-- excuse me, Senator. Senators Aguilar-- voting yes: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators DeBoer, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Slama. Vote is 45 ayes, 0 nays, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1184 passes. We'll now proceed to our last-- next bill, LB1204. First vote is to dispense with the at-large reading. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

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ASSISTANT CLERK: 34 ayes, 4 nays to dispense with the at-large reading.

HILGERS: The at-large reading is dispensed with. Mr. Clerk-- Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

ASSISTANT CLERK: [Read title of LB1204.]

HILGERS: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB1204 pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Voting aye: Senators Aguilar, Albrecht, Arch, Blood, Bostar, Bostelman, Brandt, Brewer, Briese, Cavanaugh, Cavanaugh, Clements, Day, Dorn, Erdman, Flood, Friesen, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, Hansen, Hilgers, Hilkemann, Hughes, Hunt, Jacobson, Kolterman, Lathrop, Linehan, Lowe, McCollister, McDonnell, McKinney, Morfeld, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Stinner, Vargas, Walz, Williams, Wishart. Voting no: none. Not voting: Senators Wayne, DeBoer, Lindstrom, Pahls, and Slama. Vote is 44 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

HILGERS: LB1204 passes. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign the following LBs: LB1024e, LB1024Ae, LB1065, LB1069e, LB1102, LB1102A, LB29e, LB59, LB75, LB91, LB691, LB697, LB697A, LB705e, LB742, LB779, LB795, LB807, LB808, LB824, LB829, LB851, LB855, LB856, LB905, LB908, LB971, LB983, LB1007, LB1057, LB1082, LB1092, LB1124, LB1137, LB1147e, LB1148, LB1165, LB1178, LB1184, and LB1204. Turning to the next item on the afternoon's agenda, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, confirmation reports. The first report, Health and Human Services Committee reports on four appointees to the Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission.

HILGERS: Senator Arch, you're recognized to open on the Health Committee confirmation report.

ARCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On March 3, the Health and Human Services Committee held confirmation hearings for four appointees to the Rural Health Advisory Commission. The Rural Health Advisory Commission is a 13-member commission, and one of its important responsibilities is to award rural student loans and loan repayment to eligible healthcare professionals. Roger Wells is a reappointment to the commission, and he fills the position of the physician assistant on the commission. He's been a physician assistant in central Nebraska

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since 1987, holds a physician assistant degree from UNMC. Mr. Wells practices at Lexington Regional Health Center. He's passionate about rural healthcare policy at the local, state, and national levels. At his confirmation hearing, Mr. Wells testified very knowledgeably about the healthcare challenges in the rural parts of our state, including challenges with EMS, nursing homes, OB care, mental health, and hospice. Mr. Wells is experienced and passionate about rural healthcare, and he's very qualified to continue serving on the commission. Rebecca Schroeder is also a reappointment, and she fills a position of a mental health representative on the Rural Health Advisory Commission. Dr. Schroeder earned her Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Nevada. She practices as a clinical psychologist primarily in North Platte, as well as at the Dawson County Jail. Dr. Schroeder has served as a mental health representative on the commission since 2003. She understands the importance of retaining and recruiting medical and behavioral health practitioners to our rural areas, and she's looking forward to continuing to address the rural healthcare workforce shortage on the commission. Cherlyn Hunt is the third reappointment to the commission, and she fills the position of a rural nursing home administrator. Ms. Hunt has been li-- a licensed nursing home administrator since 2008 and has served on the commission since 2018. At her confirmation hearing, Ms. Hunt testified that she enjoys serving on the commission and made-- making a difference in rural communities by awarding scholarships to rural healthcare professionals. Ms. Hunt is qualified and passionate about rural healthcare, and she's willing to serve a second term on the commission to continue this important work. Jeffrey Harrison: Dr. Harrison is a new appointment to the Rural Health Advisory Commission, and he will fill the position of the representative of the University of Nebraska Medical Center on the commission. Dr. Harrison is a physician with 26 years of experience as a faculty member at UNMC, where he has fo-- been focused on improving and increasing the healthcare workforce across Nebraska. Between 1998 and 2020, Dr. Harrison was the program director for the UNMC Nebraska Rural Training Tracks program, which is focused on training family medicine physicians in rural settings. Dr. Harrison's experience and commitment to rural health make him an outstanding appointee to the commission. All four of these appointments advanced unanimously from the Health and Human Service Commission-- Committee, so I encourage your support for their confirmation. Thank you.

HILGERS: Thank you, Senator Arch. Debate is now open on the confirmation reports. Senator Hunt, you're recognized.

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HUNT: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. When I spoke last time, the vote hadn't yet been reported online, so I couldn't see it. What LB1137, that eight of you voted against, said, it pertains to name, image, and likeness rights for student athletes. It says student athletes may be prohibited from entering into contracts or agreements or engaging in activity related to the use of student athlete's name, image, or likeness for products, services, entities or activities reasonably deemed to be inconsistent with the educational mission of the postsecondary institution by such postsecondary institution. And further down it says, nothing in the Nebraska Student-Athlete Name, Image, or Likeness Rights Act shall limit the ability of a postsecondary institution to establish and enforce standards, requirements, regulations, or obligations for such postsecondary institution students not inconsistent with the act. We worked on this bill over the past year and I never liked it. I really didn't like this bill because I thought it had potentially some First Amendment issues. I'm not sure about the ethics of a school telling adults what they can and can't endorse with their own name, image and likeness. And when we were debating the original bill, this was a common complaint, a common criticism from opponents of the original name, image and likeness bill, was that, how do we know they're not all going to be sponsored by Marlboro, how do we know they're not all going to be sponsored by Hooters and Planned Parenthood and Trojan, and all of these different fears that, of course, have not come to be, but this was a stated concern of the opposition with the Name, Image, and Likeness Act. It also happened to be a concern of some of the Catholic universities and Catholic learning institutions that we have in this state. I took this bill and introduced this bill because I didn't want one of the senators that voted against this bill to introduce it and do something even crazier with it. By introducing this bill, I thought that that would help protect the First Amendment rights of the students more than if one of these ultra-conservative, you know, morality police people had introduced it. Some of those people include those who voted nay on the bill, which was eight people, which includes Senator Albrecht, Senator Bostelman, Senator Brewer, Senator Clements, Senator Erdman, Senator Geist, Senator Halloran, and the man who's never had a conversation with me, Senator Jacobson. Four of you were present, not voting, and I think that's OK, because maybe you don't know what the bill does. But to vote no on a-- the bill that says now a condom company is not going to sponsor the kids at Creighton University or whatever, that's what you just voted against. You thought you were voting against some bad LGBTQ bill or communist thing or something that I was bringing, but what you voted against was really your own interest this time. And every time you

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stand up and say, oh, it's never about the introducer, all I care about is the subject matter of the bill, I'm able to rise above and adhere to professional norms and just consider myself with the subject matter at hand, you are full of crap and that vote proves it. And I like it when people reveal who they are. I like it when these things come out. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Hunt. Seeing no one else in the queue, Senator Arch, you're welcome to close on your committee report. Senator Arch waives closing. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 37 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Health and Human Services report on Claire Bazata to the Nebraska Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board.

HUGHES: Senator Arch, you're welcome to open on the Health and Human Services Committee report.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. On March 3, the Health and Human Services Committee held a hearing on the appointment of Claire Bazata to the Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board. Ms. Bazata is a new appointment to the board, which is responsible for developing an annual state plan for the distribution of money in the Nebraska Child Abuse Prevention Fund. Ms. Bazata is an attorney in Cozad, where she practices juvenile law in three counties in addition to family law and criminal defense. In 2020, she was named as the Fearless Children's Lawyer of the Month by the American Bar Association. Prior to law school, Ms. Bazata worked with families in the child welfare system through an internship with CASA of Lancaster County in a group home and as a child and family services specialist with DHHS. It was clear at her confirmation hearing that Ms. Bazata cares deeply about vulnerable children and families in Nebraska and she's very experienced and qualified to serve on the Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board. Her appointment was advanced unanimously by the Health and Human Services Committee so I encourage your support for her appointment. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Arch. Debate is now open on the Health and Human Services confirmation report. Seeing no one in the queue,

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Senator Arch. Senator Arch waives closing. The question is the adoption, adoption of the report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 37 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Health and Human Services reports on Alysson Muotri to the Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee.

HUGHES: Senator Arch, you're recognized to open on the confirmation report.

ARCH: Thank you, Mr. President. On March 3, the Health and Human Services Committee held a hearing on the reappointment of Dr. Alysson Muotri to the Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee. The Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee is responsible for making grants to Nebraska institutions or researchers to conduct stem cell research that does not use human embryonic stem cells with funds from state tobacco settlement dollars. The committee includes the deans of Creighton Un-- Creighton University Medical School and UNMC, as well as four scientists from outside of Nebraska with experience in nonembryonic stem cell research. Dr. Muotri is a professor in the department of pediatrics and cellular and molecular medicine at the University of California-San Diego, where he is also the director of the stem cell program. Dr. Muotri is an accomplished researcher and has made a number of significant contributions to his field, including helping to determine the causal link between Zika virus and congenital disabilities. He is highly qualified to fill this role and his reappointment advanced unanimously from the Health and Human Services Committee, so I encourage your support to Dr. Muotri's confirmation. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Arch. Is there any discussion on the report? Seeing none, Senator Arch, you're recognized to close. Senator Arch waives closing. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Next report from Health and Human Services is two appointments to the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

HUGHES: Senator Arch, you're welcome to open on your committee report.

ARCH: Thank you, Mr. President. On March 22, the Health and Human Services Committee held confirmation hearings for two appointments to the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. This is a nine-member commission, including three deaf persons, three hard-of-hearing persons, and three persons who ha-- who have an interest in and knowledge of deafness and hard-- and hearing-loss issues. Sandra Shaw, Sandra Shaw is a reappointment to the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and she will continue to fill-- to fill the role of one of the three interested persons on the commission. Ms. Shaw has served on the commission since 2019. She's employed by Seward County Aging Services, so she is tuned into hard-of-hearing issues through that role. Additionally, Ms. Shaw testified that her family became engulfed in the deaf world when her husband lost his hearing in 2005. Ms. Shaw is knowledgeable regarding deaf and hard-of-hearing issues, and she is passionate about providing resources to make a difference in the lives of others with hearing issues. Brooke Fitzpatrick is a new appointment to the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and she will also fill one of the interested person roles on the commission. Ms. Fitzpatrick is an active member of the deaf and hard-of-hearing community as she has a young son who is deaf. She has a master's in public health from Creighton University, and she works as a community engagement coordinator at UNMC. Ms. Fitzpatrick has been involved in the legislative process, including the passage of LB15 in 2019 which expanded coverage for hearing aids for children. Both of these appointments to the Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing advanced unanimously from the Health and Human Services Committee, so I encourage your support for their confirmation. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Arch. Is there any discussion on the report? Seeing none, Senator Arch, you're recognized to close on the-- on your report. Senator Arch waives closing. Colleagues, the question before us is the adoption of the report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

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ASSISTANT CLERK: Next report is for three appointments to the State Board of Health.

HUGHES: Senator Arch, you're welcome to--you're recognized to open on the report.

ARCH: Thank you, Mr. President. On March 22, the Health and Human Services Committee held confirmation hearings on three appointments to the State Board of Health. The Board of Health is a 17-member board and is responsible for promulgating rules and regulations governing the professions and occupations which are licensed, certified, registered, or permitted by DHHS. One of the board's most important roles is to facilitate the 407 credentialing review process. Doug-- Dr. Douglas Bauer is a new appointment to the Board of Health, and he will fill the role of the osteopath on the board. Dr. Bauer currently works as a hospitalist at St. Elizabeth's in Lincoln, as well as the hospice director for CHI Health at Home and hospice. He received his undergraduate degree from the Nebraska Wesleyan and his doctorate from Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine. At his confirmation hearing, Dr. Bauer testified about his passion for ensuring Nebraska patients are getting the care they deserve, and that's the voice he'll bring to the Board of Health. Dr. Joshua Vest is a reappointment to the Board of Health, and he will continue to fill the role of the podiatrist on the board. Dr. Vest has served on the Board of Health since 2014. He has been practicing as a podiatrist in Lincoln for the last decade. At his confirmation hearing, Dr. Vest testified that one of the main things he enjoys about serving on the board is the 407 credentialing review process. As I mentioned earlier, that 407 process is a critical function of the Board of Health, so we're lucky that Dr. Vest is willing to lend his expertise and experience to continuing to serve in this role. Dr. Douglas Vander Broek is also a reappointment to the Board of Health, and he will continue to serve as the chiropractic representative on the board. Dr. Vander Broek has been practicing as a chiropractor in Lincoln since 1983, and he has served on the Board of Health since 2-- 2015. In addition to his private practice, Dr. Vander Broek has volunteered for numerous causes, including providing chiropractic care in Haiti, volunteering for Clinic with a Heart and working as a CASA volunteer. All three of these appointments to the Board of Health advanced from the Health and Human Services Committee with no dissenting votes, 6 affirmative votes and 1 member not voting. This is a volunteer board and it serves an important role to our state, so I encourage your support for this confirmation report.

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HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Arch. Is there any discussion on the report? Seeing none, Senator Arch, you're welcome to close. Senator Arch waives closing. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 33 ayes, 1 nay on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, next, a report from the Health and Human Services Committee has two appointments to the Rural Health Advisory Commission.

HUGHES: Senator Arch, you're recognized to open on the confirmation report.

ARCH: Thank you, Mr. President. On March 22, the Health and Human Services Committee held confirmation hearings on two appointments to the Rural Health Advisory Commission. Dr. Jeffrey Wallman is a new appointment to the Rural Health Advisory Commission. He will fill the opening for a family practice resident on the commission. Dr. Wallman grew up on a farm in rural southeast Nebraska. He received his bachelor's degree from UNL, completed medical school at UNMC in 2021. Dr. Wallman is a family medicine resident in the Advanced Rural Training Program. He testified in his confirmation hearing that his interest in serving on the commission stems from seeing the healthcare workforce need in rural communities and his desire to show medical professionals how special rural healthcare can be. Dr. Michael Greene is a reappointment to the Rural Health Advisory Commission. Dr. Greene will continue to serve as a representative of Creighton University Medical School on the commission. He is the director of the family medicine residency program, as well as the Rural Training Tracks [SIC] at Creighton's Department of Family and Community Medicine. Dr. Greene is passionate about keeping Nebraska competitive with other states when it comes to placing family doctors around the state, and that is his focus on the commission. Both of these appointments to the Rural Advisory Commission advanced unanimously from the Health and Human Services Committee, so I encourage your support for their confirmation. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Arch. Is there any discussion on the report? Seeing none, Senator Arch, you're welcome to close. Senator Arch waives closing. Colleagues, the question is the adoption of the

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report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 41 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Health and Human Services would report on one appointment to the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

HUGHES: Senator Arch, you're welcome to open on your committee report.

ARCH: Thank you. Last one. On April 11, the Health and Human Services Committee held a confirmation hearing on the reappointment of Francis Beurivage to the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Ms. Beurivage has served on the commission for three years, and she would continue to fill the role of an interested person with sign language ability. Ms. Beurivage has been serving the deaf and hard-of-hearing community for her whole career. In fact, I've known-- I've known Ms. Beurivage for over a decade through her work with Boys Town, where she managed the national assessment for sign language interpreters working in K-12 educational interpreting. She has extensive knowledge and experience with the deaf and hard-of-hearing community and her appointment advanced unanimously from the committee, so I encourage your support for her confirmation. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Arch. Is there any discussion on the report? Seeing none, Senator Arch, you're welcome to close. Senator Arch waives closing. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 37 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next report, from the Nebraska Retirement Systems, is an appointment to the Nebraska Investment Council.

HUGHES: Senator Kolterman, you're welcome to open on your confirmation report.

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KOLTERMAN: Thank you. The Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee held a confirmation hearing on March 30 for Richard DeFusco. This is a reappointment. Mr. DeFusco has served 18 years on the Nebraska Investment Council. The Governor reappointed him to another five-year term. The Nebraska Investment Council manages over \$40 billion across 32 investment programs for the state, which includes over \$23 billion in pension funds. Mr. DeFusco is a full professor of finance at UNL and has been on the faculty since 1985. He is currently chair of the Department of Finance and is formerly the faculty director of the MBA program from 2014 through 2017. In 1999, the CFA Institute awarded him the designation of chartered financial analyst. He will continue to bring real-world business and investment experience to Nebraska Investment Council and is well qualified to make decisions regarding the investment of public funds. The Retirement Committee appreciates his long-term commitment and interest in serving on the Nebraska Investment Council and unanimously voted to move Mr. DeFusco's appointment to the full Legislature for confirmation. The same day, we had an appoint-- reappointment for the Nebraska Retirement System-- Systems Committee, held a confirmation hearing on March 30 for James Schulz, who's been reappointed by the Governor to fill one of the public member seats on the Nebraska Public Employee Retirement Board. Mr. Schulz was originally appointed in 2017. This is a five-year term. Mr. Schulz graduated from UNL with a bachelor of science in business administration with an emphasis in actuarial science. From 1972 to 1979, he worked for Bankers Life, now Ameritas, in pension administration and actuarial science. From 1979 to 2010, he was with Midlands Financial Benefits as a licensed agent and re-- registered representative, sales and service of insurance, employee investment products. From 2010 until his pre-- pre-- to his present retirement in 2013, he was senior vice president of retirement plans at Ameritas. His background will continue to make him a valuable member of the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Board, which oversees all the state retirement plans. The Retirement Committee unanimously voted to move Ms.-- Mr. Schulz's appointment to the full Legislature for confirmation. I ask for your support in confirming both of these appointees to the Public Employees Retirement Board and the Nebraska Investment Council.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Kolterman. We do have to handle these as two separate reports, so could you give us the name of the first individual, please.

KOLTERMAN: Richard DeFusco.

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HUGHES: Excuse me. Is there any discussion on the report for Richard DeFusco. Seeing none, Senator Kolterman, you're recognized to close. Senator Kolterman waives closing. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee on Richard DeFusco. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 40 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report, Mr. President.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Chairman Kolterman, the name of the second report?

KOLTERMAN: His name is James Schulz. He graduated from the University of Nebraska with a degree in actuarial science, and he was a classmate of Senator Clements. With that, I would move approval. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Kolterman. Discussion is now open on the appointment of James Schulz by the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee. Senator Clements, you're recognized.

CLEMENTS: Thank you, Mr. President. I stand in favor of Mr. Schulz. He reminded me that we were classmates in the actuarial courses at the university here back up till 1973, and I think he's had a wide variety of experience that well qualifies him for this position. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Clements. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Kolterman, you're recognized to close on your report for James Schulz to the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee, Senator Kolterman waives closing. The question before us is the adoption of the report by the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee on Mr. James Schulz. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 40 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee would report favorably on four appointments to the Public Roads Classification and Standards Board.

HUGHES: Senator Friesen, you're welcome to open on your committee's report.

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FRIESEN: Thank you, Mr. President. The TNT Committee held a public hearing on March 29 to consider the appointment of four individuals to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. The board is part of the Department of Transportation and oversees annual construction planning and fiscal reporting for state and local roads, as well as the application of minimum design, construction and maintenance standards and function classifications of public roadways. All appointments are for a four-year term. The four individuals are Barbara Keegan, a reappointment representing the counties. Ms. Keegan is from Hemingford, has been the Box Butte County highway superintendent since 1994. She has served on the board since 2005. James Litchfield, a reappointment representing municipalities under 2,500 population; Mr. Litchfield is from Wakefield and has served as the Wakefield city administrator/public works director since 2003 and has worked in city government for 38 years. He has completed two terms of service on the board. Edward R. Wootton, a reappointment as a lay member representing the 1st Congressional District; Mr. Wootton lives in Bellevue, is retired with a career record of serving as the Sarpy County highway superintendent and assistant director at the Department of Transportation and as a fleet director for Sarpy County. He's been a member of the board since 2002. Brandie S. Neemann: Ms. Neemann is a new member of the board and will serve as the Nebraska Department of Transportation representative to the board. She has been employed by the department since 2002 and currently serves as a project development engineer. Ms. Neemann appeared in person before the committee and the reappoint-- reappointed members appeared via telephone. The committee voted to recommend the appointments without dissent and I would ask the full Legislature vote to confirm the appointments of these individuals. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Friesen. Is there any discussion on the report? Seeing none, Senator Friesen, you're recognized to close on your report. Senator Friesen waives closing. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 37 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report, Mr. President.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Transportation and Telecommunications would report on two appointments to the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board.

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HUGHES: Senator Friesen, you're welcome to open on your committee's report.

FRIESEN: Thank you, Mr. President. If this is moving too fast, I could talk real slow. The TNT Committee held a public hearing on March 29 to consider the appointment of two individuals to the Nebraska Voter-- Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board. The board is housed within the Department of Motor Vehicles and is the state agency that licenses and regulates motor vehicles, trailers, and motorcycle dealers, as well as manufacturers and distributors. The board also regulates wrecker, salvage dealers, and auto auctions. The board also serves as the agency that processes consumer complaints against licensed dealers. The committee heard and acted upon two appointments to the board. Each are being appointed to a three-year term. Chad Tessman is from Henderson as a 1st District used car dealer representative. Mr. Tessman has been in the vehicle industry since 1999, been a used car dealer in York since 2011. He is a new appointee to the board and appeared before the committee for the hearing. Thomas R. McCaslin is a reappointment to the board and is a 3rd District new car dealer representative on the board. His business is located in Broken Bow and he is a reappointment to the board serving his second term. He participated in the hearing via telephone. The committee voted to recommend the appointments without dissent, and I would ask the full Legislature vote to confirm the appointment of these individuals. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Friesen. Is there any discussion on the report? Seeing none, Senator Friesen, you're recognized to close on the report. Senator Friesen waives closing. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 39 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next report from General Affairs is seven appointments to the Nebraska Arts Council.

HUGHES: Senator Briese, you're welcome to open on your committee's report.

BRIESE: Thank you, Mr. President, and good afternoon, colleagues. I rise today to present the committee report on seven appointees to the

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Nebraska Arts Council. General Affairs Committee held a hearing on April 5. Two individuals are new appointees. They would be Jana Goranson and Dr. Clark Roush. And five individuals are reappointments to the council: Alex Gorynski, Ellen Hornady, Amy Haddad, Sarah Peetz, and Walter Seiler. Each of these individuals, we feel, are very qualified and we feel confident they will fulfill their duties admirably. The committee advanced all seven on an 8-0 vote, and I urge your green vote to confirm these appointments. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Briese. Is there any discussion on the report? Seeing none, Senator Briese, you're welcome to close. Senator Briese waives closing. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the General Affairs Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 37 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next report, from the Agriculture Committee, is for an appointment to the Nebraska Brand Committee.

HUGHES: Senator Halloran, you're welcome to open on your committee's report.

HALLORAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Good afternoon, colleagues. On February 1, the February-- the Agriculture Committee held a confirmation hearing on the reconfirmation of Terry Cone to the Nebraska Brand Committee. The Agriculture Committee report recommends against the confirmation of reappointment of Terry Cone to the Nebraska Brand Committee with a vote of 8-0 to recommend against confirmation of Mr. Cone's reappointment. It is not a pleasant task to ask that the body vote to support the committee's recommend-- recommendation to not confirm Mr. Cone for a second term on the Brand Committee. There has unfortunately been a deterioration of trust in the leadership of the Brand Committee, and that trust was further undermined by a vote of the Brand Committee to close a meeting of the subcommittee of the Brand Committee formed to examine issues associated with implementation of e-inspection. Mr. Cone voted to close the meetings of the group to the public and the press. There's also concern that the Brand Committee has, until recently, been working with a Mr. Rob Jennings of CattleProof to provide private services to support e-inspection functionality. There's considerable concern that Mr. Jennings has a history of questionable business

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dealings, having been both a plaintiff and a defendant in numerous business ventures, and there's justified concern that-- whether Mr. Jennings was a reliable source to do business with. Additionally, there has been information substantiating close personal and business relationships with Mr. Jennings, creating a potential conflict of interest for members of the Brand Committee and its staff. While I will end the opening here, I anticipate that there may be others that may speak in more detail about concerns with the Brand Committee and perhaps the need for a change of leadership. The committee voted 8-0 to recommend against confirmation of Mr. Cone's reappointment. A yes vote to adopt the Agriculture Committee's report is agreement with the Ag Committee's recommendation not to confirm this re-- this appointment. I move adoption of the Ag Committee report. Please vote green. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Halloran. Discussion is now open on the Ag Committee's report. Senator Erdman, you're recognized.

ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you, Senator Halloran, for that explanation. Let me just-- I want to be brief because I see-- I think Senator Patty Pansing Brooks and Senator McCollister have already cleaned out their desk, so I think we're-- we're headed out the door. But let me-- let me just be clear on this, what happened. They had a subcommittee of the Brand Committee that was meeting to discuss how to implement electronic identification. They had the first meeting and they closed that to the public and they closed that to anybody but just the Brand Committee subcommittee and, consequently, they're using and spending taxpayers' dollars or brand people's dollars. And it should be open to the public. There was nothing in that meeting that shouldn't have been transparent. So what happened is they had the first closed meeting, and then they were attempting to have another meeting and they had a meeting of the Brand Committee. There are five members and one of the Brand Committee people, board members, made a motion to make the meetings open to the public. The motion got a second and the motion failed 2-3 and Mr. Cone was on the dissenting side. He was one of the three that decided to close the meeting. When we had a hearing, Senator Halloran, the Ag Committee had a hearing with the Brand Committee, he asked them specifically, you've had closed meetings, are you going to have other meetings? And the answer was yes. And then the question was, will they be closed? And the answer was yes. And so, consequently, going forward from there, their credibility has decreased immensely with the brand people that use that service. And my concern is, if we don't solve these issues with the Brand Committee, and we seem to be talking about it all the time, this will be an issue that will continue to come up. And so

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everything stops with the leadership and the Brand Committee Board is the leadership, and so I am asking you to vote to confirm the committee's report. And let me just read what the rules state so that you're clear on how you vote. If a report coming from the committee is to reject the appointment and the Legislature fails to adopt the report by a majority vote of the elected members, then the appointment is hereby approved, provided-- this is a-- this is a key-- key statement-- provided that the member receives a majority vote in the negative. So if you vote yes, you're confirming what the committee decided, that he should not be reappointed. For him to be reappointed, he has to get 25 negative votes. So my encouragement to you is vote green. We are the last thing on the agenda today and we can be out of here. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Seeing no one else in the queue, Senator Halloran, you're recognized to close on the report.

HALLORAN: Just to reiterate and reclarify, we would ask you to support the committee's report. A green vote is what we request, and that would be confirmation of the Ag Committee-- Ag Committee's conclusion not to reconfirm Mr. Cone, a green vote. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Halloran. The question is the adoption of the report offered by the Agriculture Committee. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report.

HUGHES: The report is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, resolutions. LR271 was a resolution originally introduced by Senator Brewer; referred to the Government Committee for public hearing. The resolution was advanced back to the Legislature for further consideration. It involves the naming of a building owned by the state, located at 1526 K Street.

HUGHES: Senator Brewer, you're recognized to open on LR271.

BREWER: Thank you, Mr. President. LR271 is a resolution that was introduced to me by the Department of Administrative Services. It's the naming of two buildings. The first building is at 1526 K Street and-- and 1st Avenue. The, the building is the home to six state agencies and it will be recognized as the First Nebraska Volunteer Infantry Regiment. This regiment was made up of Nebraskans who fought in the Civil War, most famously at Fort Donelson and Shiloh. The

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second building, at 521 South 14th Street, becomes named the Chief Standing Bear Justice Administrative [SIC] Building, and this is fitting that that building should be named in his honor since it houses the judiciary-- judiciary branch. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Brewer. Discussion is now open on LR271. Seeing no one in the queue, Senator Brewer, you're welcome to close. Senator Brewer waives closing. Colleagues, the question before us is the adoption of LR271. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of LR271.

HUGHES: LR271 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: LR284 is a resolution introduced by Senator Blood. It was referred to the Agriculture Committee for purposes of conducting a hearing, reported back to the Legislature for further consideration. It encourages a supporting of an objective review of the "Product of U.S.A." label by the USDA and action to restrict the scope of use in a way that is beneficial for cattle producers and consumers.

HUGHES: Senator Blood, you're recognized to open on LR284.

BLOOD: Thank you, Mr. President. Friends, as you just heard, the intent of LR284 is to encourage the Nebraska Legislature to support an objective view of the "Product of U.S.A." label by the USDA and support any future actions to restrict the scope of use in a way that is beneficial for cattle producers and consumers and is trade compliant. American consumers rely on food labeling for truthful, meaningful information about retail food purchases. If a label says, "Product of the U.S.A.," they assume that the meat they are placing in their grocery cart was actually raised here in the United States and not another country, as has been happening. The Legislature should support initiatives to prevent misleading and deceptive practices that negatively affect United States cattle producers and drive down prices for the cattle producers while increasing the profits for the meatpacking industry. LR284 is in support of these efforts. Multiple government entities agree that the USDA must provide a deeper review of the use of the label. President Biden issued an Executive Order on July 9, 2021, that directed the USDA to consider new rules defining the conditions under which meat products can bear "Product of U.S.A." and other simil-- similar labels so that consumers have accurate, transparent labels that enable them to choose products originating in the United States. In July 2021, the FTC finalized a new rule cracking

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down on marketers who make false unqualified claims that their products are made in the U.S.A., and specifically requires "Made in the U.S.A." claims on labels that can be used only for products that are all or virtually made or sourced in the United States. The review needs to reflect and support these new rules. Nebraska has the top three beef counties in the United States, including the nation's number-one cow county, Cherry County, with nearly one 166,000 cows; Custer County is number two at 100,000; and Holt County is number three at 99,000. So it's an important part of our culture and economy, so we need to support initiatives that will prioritize better, more honest practices in the beef industry. This resolution has widespread support from the ag community, which includes the Nebraska Cattlemen, the Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska, the Nebraska Farmers Union, the Nebraska Pork Producers Association, the Nebraska Corn Growers Association, the Nebraska Farm Bureau, and the Nebraska Soybean Association. The resolution was voted out 7-0 with the eighth member of the committee being absent that day. Friends, please vote in support of ag and push green.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Blood. Debate is now open on LR284. Seeing no one in the queue, Senator Blood, you're welcome to close on your LR284. Senator Blood waives closing. Colleagues, the question before us is the adoption of LR284. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 34 ayes [SIC--35], 0 nays on the adoption of LR33-- I'm sorry, LR284.

HUGHES: LR284 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: LR335 was a resolution introduced by the Education Committee, referred to that committee for purposes of conducting a public hearing, advanced to the Legislature for further consideration. It involves and encourages postsecondary educational institutions to adopt the 70 percent attainment goal.

HUGHES: Senator Walz, as Chairman of the Education Committee, you're welcome to open on LR335.

WALZ: Thank you, Mr. President. LR335 was introduced by the Education Committee, advanced unanimously, and is supported by the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, the University System, the state colleges, the community colleges, private colleges, the Department of Education, and the K-12 education groups. LR335 establishes a statewide educational attainment goal for Nebraska,

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stating that at least 70 percent of 25- to 34-year-old Nebraskans have a degree, certificate, diploma, or other postsecondary or industry-recognized credential with economic value by 2030. As legislators, we are all aware that workforce shortages are the most common mentioned barriers to business development in Nebraska. Many of these jobs have been designated H3 jobs by the Department of Labor for high wage, skill, and demand. H3 occupations pay more than average, req-- require at least a high school degree with extra training after graduation, and are projected to have a high number of openings in the next ten years. A statewide educational attainment goal will help state leaders, K-12 school leaders, college and university officials, employers, and community representative-- representatives establish a shared education and training agenda and measure progress at regular intervals. It will foster accountability and the ability to measure the impact of policies, strategies, and funding. They measure what matters: the amount and quality of trained talent in our state. It will better prepare our state to meet workforce needs in the future. I ask you to join me in voting green to adopt this important amendment. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Walz. Debate is now open on LR335. Senator Erdman, you're recognized.

ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. I was wondering if Senator Walz would yield to a question or two.

HUGHES: Senator Walz, will you yield?

WALZ: Yes.

ERDMAN: Senator Walz, what is prohibiting them from doing the things that you're asking in this resolution now?

WALZ: There's nothing really prohibiting them from doing that. I just think that putting together a resolution and having it signed and sealed by all of the education community really makes us more accountable to making sure that that gets done.

ERDMAN: You could do that without a resolution, could you not?

WALZ: I could. Again, I, I think it makes us all more accountable.

ERDMAN: So what happens if we don't do this?

WALZ: We continue on, Senator Erdman.

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ERDMAN: It, it, it seems like we have an opportunity to do this, whether we pass this resolution or not. It's like, for example, when I was Morrill County commissioner, if somebody came and said, I move that we never have a Morrill County picnic. Now if we never had one before and we'll never have one again, you can't make a negative motion, so I don't understand why we need to pass a resolution to have education understand the need to cooperate. The--it's-- it's peculiar. Is that-- am I off on that?

WALZ: No, I, I-- I don't, I don't think it is peculiar. I think it was a great opportunity for us to come together as a community, as an education community, and-- and stand together and say this is what we want to see happen in Nebraska.

ERDMAN: I think it's-- I think it's a great idea, but you don't need us to pass a resolution to do that.

WALZ: That's your opinion, Senator Erdman.

ERDMAN: Thank you. Thank you.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Erdman and Senator Walz. Seeing no one else in the queue, Senator Walz, you're recognized to close on your LR. Senator Walz waives closing. Colleagues, the question before us is the adoption of LR335. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 1 nay on the adoption of the resolution.

HUGHES: LR335 is adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR346, origin-- originally introduced by Senator Morfeld and others. It asks the Legislature to stand with the Ukrainian people in the defense of their sovereign nation, whose democratic values are the very lives of-- and calls on Nebraskans to support the Ukrainian people.

HUGHES: Senator Morfeld, you're recognized to open on LR346.

MORFELD: Thank you, Mr. President. Colleagues, I want to thank the entire body for cosponsoring this or cosigning it, and it's very, very straightforward. It's four lines. I'm just going to read them real quick and then I will waive my closing because I know I'm the last thing between us getting out of here. Whereas, on February 24, 2022, a massive military assault was launched by the Russian government on the sovereign democratic nation of Ukraine; and whereas the continuing

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assault has been met by strong resistance of the Ukrainian military, joined by armed civilians; and whereas the Russian attacks on nonmilitary residential areas of Ukraine cities have forced the evacuation of millions of civilians to neighboring countries; and whereas the United States, along with other nations, have condemned the invasion and provided humanitarian and military aid: Now, therefore, be it resolved by the members of the One Hundred Seventh Legislature of Nebraska, Second Session, that the Legislature stands with the Ukrainian people in defense of their sovereign nation, its democratic values, and their very lives, and calls on Nebraskans to support the Ukrainian people. I urge you to vote green on this. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Senator Morfeld. Discussion is now open on LR346. Seeing no one in the queue, Senator Morfeld, you're welcome to close. Senator Morfeld waives closing. Colleagues, the question before us is the adoption of LR346. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 37 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the resolution.

HUGHES: LR346 is adopted. Speaker Hilgers, you're recognized.

HILGERS: Pre-- thank you, Mr. President. Good afternoon, colleagues. I think we're about to adjourn. I wanted to give you a last update for our schedule for tomorrow. We're going to start at 10:00 tomorrow morning, so we'll have a kick-off at 10:00. We do have Final Reading. It is roughly a quarter or less of what we had today. Obviously, today we had quite a bit. It's, it's-- we have far fewer Final Reading bills for tomorrow. We'll do that. For those outgoing senators, they've-- there's been some con-- confusion as to when you might-- those remarks might occur. If you're an outgoing senator, that will be next week. You'll have the opportunity to go next week. We will have some remarks, though, tomorrow with some others. And so we-- those are the two things that I anticipate doing tomorrow. So everyone have a good night and we'll see you in the morning. Thank you, Mr. President.

HUGHES: Thank you, Speaker Hilgers. Mr. Clerk, for items.

CLERK: Mr. President, bills read on Final Reading this afternoon were presented to the Governor at 3:15 (LB1024, LB1024A, LB1065, LB1069, LB1102, LB1102A, LB29, LB59, LB75, LB91, LB691, LB697, LB697A, LB705, LB742, LB779, LB795, LB807, LB808, LB824, LB829, LB851, LB855, LB856, LB905, LB908, LB971, LB983, LB1007, LB1057, LB1082, LB1092, LB1124, LB1137, LB1147, LB1148, LB1165, LB1178, LB1184, and LB1204). New

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resolutions: LR460, by Senator Stinner, that will be laid over; and LR461, by Senator Vargas, also to be laid over. Senator Ben Hansen would move to adjourn until Wednesday morning, April 13, at 10:00 a.m.

HUGHES: Colleagues, you've all heard the motion to adjourn till 10:00 tomorrow. All those in favor say aye; opposed, nay. We are adjourned.