

March 15, 1979

LB 112, 131, 138A,
172, 577.

PRESIDENT LUEDTKE PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Have you all registered your presence? I'll wait for you Martin.have you know Senator Merz's absence, so that's, oh...he's dramatically made an announcement that he's not here. Alright, record the roll call, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Corrections to the Journal, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Notices, reports or announcements.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review respectfully reports that we have carefully examined and reviewed LB 112 and recommend that same be replaced on Select File with amendments. 577 on Select File. Signed Senator Wesely, Chairman. (See Pages 917 and 918 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your Committee on Public Health and Welfare, whose Chairman is Senator Cullan to whom we referred LB 172 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation that it be advanced to General File with amendments. Signed, Senator Cullan, Chairman.

Mr. President, new bill, LB 138 A, introduced by Senators Goodrich and Kahle. (Read by title for the first time LB 138A. See Page 918 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp for an announcement. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, you may remember that this Legislature a couple of years ago passed LB 131, the law which tried to force equalization, set penalties, so on and so forth. This law was challenged as unconstitutional in a number of respects by the Attorney General, and of course, tax enforcement officials. A decree was handed down this morning by the court upholding this law as constitutional in every respect. I will get copies of this opinion and get it to the members of the Legislature. I think it's a major, major factor now in trying to get the laws on taxation straightened out in the state, and I hope everybody would take the time to read it. I might just point out that, like I told you yesterday, I try to give you laws that are constitutional.