

SPEAKER NICHOL PRESIDING

SPEAKER NICHOL: (Microphone not activated)...Palmer of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. Would you please stand.

DR. PALMER: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you, Dr. Palmer again. Roll call, please. Please record your presence if you are here. Please record your presence. Many of you are here and have not recorded your presence. Senator Chizek, would you push my green button there to see if it works this morning, please. Thank you. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

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

SPEAKER NICHOL: Record, Mr. Clerk.

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

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, we are glad of that. Do you have any corrections to the Journal, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: No, sir, Mr. President, I do not.

SPEAKER NICHOL: How about messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: I only have one, Mr. President, and it is a Reference Committee Report requiring the Banking Committee to conduct a confirmation hearing for Mr. Rod Bates who has been appointed as the Director of the Department of Economic Development. That is all that I have. (See page 86 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Moving on to resolutions. LR 6.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 6 was a resolution introduced by Senators Vickers, Schmit and Rod Johnson. It is found on page 63 of the Journal. (Read LR 6.) Again, Mr. President, on page 63 of the Journal.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers, did you wish to speak on this, please. Excuse me, Senator Vickers. Could we have it a little less noisy so we can hear Senator Vickers. Thank you.