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LR 7, 9, 10-13

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD PRESIDING

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the tenth day of the Ninety-Seventh Legislature, First Session. Our chaplain for the day is Pastor Tom Hallstrom of the Grace Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Nebraska, in Senator Beutler's district. Pastor Hallstrom.

PASTOR HALLSTROM: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Pastor Hallstrom. Members, we will call the Legislature to order. Please record your presence. Mr. Clerk, please record.

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

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

CLERK: I have no corrections this morning, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, I've received a Reference report referring LB 499 through LB 547, as well as three re-referrals. Urban Affairs Committee reports LB 177, LB 210, LB 222 to General File, those reports signed by Senator Hartnett. Hearing notices from Revenue Committee and from Health and Human Services, those signed by their respective Chairs. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 307-309.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Members, while the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 7, LR 9, LR 10, LR 11, LR 12, LR 13. Mr. Clerk, bills to be introduced?

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 701-709 by title for the first time. Legislative Journal pages 310-311.)

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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Members, we'll stand at ease as bill introduction continues. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 710-728 by title for the first time. Legislative Journal pages 311-314.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Jim Jensen would like to announce that the muffins today are on him, in recognition of his birthday, so, Senator Jensen, happy birthday.

SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Could I have your attention, please? (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, you have announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 729-745 by title for the first time. Legislative Journal pages 314-316.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read LB 746-763 by title for the first time. Legislative Journal pages 316-319.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We'll stand by for further bill introduction. Mr. Clerk, further announcements?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, more new bills. (Read LB 764-780 by title for the first time.) And that's all that I have at this time, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 319-322.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Speaker Kristensen, you're recognized.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members and staff who are listening in their offices, the Bill Drafter has informed me that all of the bill requests for bills for six-parts have been delivered to your offices, so everything is down. It's 10:00...roughly, it's 10:30 at this point in time. In the next half-hour, we'd like to have all those bills that

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you intend to introduce be signed and presented to the Clerk's Office or the Clerk's staff here in the front at eleven o'clock. It's going to take us the next probably an hour to process all those things, so we'd like to get the bills in by eleven o'clock this morning and that will sort of be the cutoff time that I'll use in deciding how many more we'll get to process today, so eleven o'clock. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you for the announcement.

CLERK: (Read LB 781-789 by title for the first time. Legislative Journal pages 322-323.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Repeating what the Speaker announced, they'd like to have all the bills in by eleven o'clock if possible. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, further announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills, thank you. (Read LB 790-799 by title for the first time. Legislative Journal pages 323-326.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, further announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, I do, thank you. (Read LB 800-808 by title for the first time.) A reminder, Mr. President, Reference will meet at eleven o'clock in Room 2102. That's all that I have. (Legislative Journal pages 326-328.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. (Visitors introduced.) (Recorder malfunction) o'clock, so anybody that doesn't have their bills up here yet, why, please do it as quickly as possible.

SENATOR DIERKS PRESIDING

SENATOR DIERKS: Do you have messages, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 809-831 by title for the first time. Legislative Journal pages 328-332.)

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SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, do you have a message?

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 30-848 by title for the first time.) Mr. President, a new constitutional amendment, LR 20CA is by Senator Landis. It would propose an amendment to Article...to Section 6 of Article XI, and repeals Article XI, Sections 2 and 5. LR 21CA by Senator McDonald, to propose an amendment to Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution of the state of Nebraska. Mr. President, a series of reports. (Read Standing Committee reports re LB 49, LB 54, LB 68, LB 138, LB 36, LB 194, LB 197, LB 198.)

In addition, Mr. President, hearing notices from the Government Committee, Natural Resources Committee, those notices signed by their respective Chairs.

I have a motion, Mr. President, by Senator Wickersham to withdraw LB 569. That will be laid over. And finally, Mr. President, a series of adds: Senator Smith and Erdman to LB 340; Senator Dwite Pedersen, Erdman, Burling, Kruse to LB 114; LB 378 (Journal reflects Senator Hudkins, Senator Coordsen, Senator Dierks, Senator Baker, Senator Erdman, Senator Connealy, Senator Kremer, Senator Vrtiska, Senator Bromm, Senator Wickersham, and Senator Jones request to add their names); LB 443 by Senator Dierks; Senator Kremer to LB 621; Senator Foley, LB 443; Senator Dwite Pedersen, LB 682; Senator Schimek, LB 661; Senator Pedersen, LB 34; Senator McDonald, LB 461; Senator Aguilar, LB 115; a number of members to LB 114; Senator Hilgert, LB 515; Senator Foley, LB 479; Senator Burling, LB 597; Senator Bruning, LB 30. Mr. President, that's all that I have at this time. (Journal reflects Senator Erdman and Senator Smith request to add their names as cointroducers to LB 341 and LB 342. Legislative Journal pages 332-338.)

SENATOR DIERKS: Senator Maxwell, would you care to adjourn us until 9:00 a.m. on January 18th, please?

SENATOR MAXWELL: Mr. President, I move that we adjourn until 9:00 a.m., January 18th.

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SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you. All those in favor say aye.  
Opposed no. We are adjourned.

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