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SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain this morning is Father Paul Witt, from the St. Mary's Catholic Church, Lincoln, Nebraska, guest of Senator Don Pederson. Chaplain.

FATHER WITT: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Father Witt, for being with us. We appreciate it. I call the third day of the Ninety-Eighth Legislature, Second Session, to order. Senators, please check in. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

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

SENATOR CUDABACK: Any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President. (See corrections, Legislative Journal page 153.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Clerk, next agenda item.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Vrtiska has a motion.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Vrtiska, you're recognized for a motion.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Mr. President, I move that the rules, as they're now in our possession, be adopted for today only, Friday, February 9 (sic), 2004.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Any discussion? Seeing none, all in favor of the temporary motion being adopted say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted. Any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, a series of reports received since the Legislature convened, from...a report from the Educational Lands and Funds, Economic Development, Motor Vehicles Department, the Retirement Systems Committee, and the Department of Revenue. In