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LB 421

SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain of the day is the Reverend Brian Friedrich, from the...the president of the Concordia University, Seward, Nebraska, Senator Stuhr's district, the 24th District. Reverend, please.

PASTOR FRIEDRICH: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Reverend Friedrich, we thank you for being with us this morning. Appreciate you being here as our chaplain of the day. We call the seventy-second day of the Ninety-Ninth Legislature, First Session, to order. Senators, please record your presence. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

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

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are there any corrections for the Journal?

ASSISTANT CLERK: There are no corrections this morning.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Any reports, messages, or announcements?

ASSISTANT CLERK: One item, Mr. President. A notice of committee hearing for various gubernatorial appointments by the Health and Human Services Committee. (Legislative Journal page 1365.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: We now go to General File, budget bills. Mr. Clerk, LB 421.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 421 was introduced by the Speaker at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 13, referred to the Appropriations Committee. The committee reports the bill to General File with committee amendments attached. (AM1240, Legislative Journal page 1330.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Pederson, Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, you're recognized to