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SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our acting chaplain this morning is Senator Kruse from the 13th District. Senator, please.

SENATOR KRUSE: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kruse, for doing that for us. We appreciate it. I call the fifty-fifth day of the Ninety-Ninth Legislature, Second Session, to order. Senators, please record your presence. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: There is a quorum present this morning, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are there any corrections for the Journal?

ASSISTANT CLERK: I have no corrections this morning.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Reports, messages, or announcements?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, two items: Senator Beutler has amendments to LB 924 to be printed. That's all that I have. (Legislative Journal page 1435.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We now go to General File, appropriation bills, Mr. Clerk, LB 489A.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 489A. (Read title.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Cunningham, you're recognized to open on LB 489A.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. I'm going to ask your indulgence a little bit this morning. You recall last week when we introduced the bill, LB 489. There was an amendment to not allow balanced billing of employees. And I acknowledged at the time of introducing that amendment there were some problems with that. And if I could come up with a better solution before Select File, I would. And in the