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you to accept that. I am asking you to give me a chance to see this to a public hearing, one which draws a diversity of opinions. I am also reminding the Legislature that, for good or ill, it has in the past established the precedent of permitting a senator some discretion about where the bill goes. What's different about today, I gather, is that here I am on the floor and it wasn't handled satisfactory, at least, to my satisfaction beforehand. A final area of concern. Senator Schmit has brought up the Federal Land-Use bill. I will guarantee you that the Federal Land-Use bill will be enacted this year because of the composition of Congress. It has been considered for the last three years. I am not in favor of it. I share that with probably every person in the body here. The U.S. Constitution gives the responsibility for land-use regulation and planning to state government and permits it to delegate it to its political subdivisions. However, this state for at least sixteen years has like an ostrich had its head in the sand hoping the problem be going to go away, and I'd suggest to you--I'd ask you to think about what part of an ostrich's anatomy is the highest point when its head is in the sand. It is a perfect target for a tic and--for a kick, excuse me, and we are going to be kicked by the Federal government this time and I find that we are unprepared so I am asking you to give this bill full consideration and to do that it has to go to another committee and to take one step forward, pull the ostrich's head from the sand and reach up and push the green button.

PRESIDENT: The question is shall LB 357 be re-referred to another standing committee. Record your vote. Have you voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 10 ayes, 29 nays, 10 not voting.

PRESIDENT: Unfinished business including messages on the President's desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator F. Lewis asks to be excused for the balance of the day.

PRESIDENT: He is already gone.

CLERK: Mr. President--I had the request some time ago. Mr. President, Revenue Committee gives notice that an Executive session shall be held at 1:30 p.m. today in the Hearing Room, Revenue Hearing Room.

PRESIDENT: The President has no messages on his desk. The chair recognizes the Speaker, Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I think probably we should clear up two items here this morning. One of them, many chairmen of the committees and many individual Senators have asked me what the plan would be for meeting or not meeting on Lincoln's or Washington's birthday. To the best of my knowledge, it has been decided that February the 12th, a Wednesday, is a state holiday and not a national holiday and it would disrupt the week entirely, if we were not to be in session on the 12th but if we are in session, it's the middle of the week and we can continue our business and so forth. But on February the 17th, a Monday, the Washington birthday which is a national holiday, I would move that we do not--that we do continue our work on the 12th, the Lincoln's birthday, and are not in session on the 17th, a Monday, on Washington's birthday which is a national holiday.