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because I do think we need to move some bills off of General File so I'd ask that we'd bracket it indefinitely and then (inaudible)

PRESIDENT: You are asking for unanimous consent?

SENATOR SIMPSON: Yes.

PRESIDENT: Are there objections? Seeing...there is an objection. Do you want to make the motion.

SENATOR SIMPSON: I move that we bracket the bill indefinitely at this time.

PRESIDENT: There is a motion that this bill be bracketed. Record your vote. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 3 nays.

PRESIDENT: The bill is bracketed. LB 299.

CLERK: LB 299 introduced by Senator Kennedy, 21st District. Read title. There are Committee amendments by Senator Rasmussen's Government Committee.

PRESIDENT: Senator Rasmussen.

SENATOR RESMUSSEN: Mr. President, members of the body, I would ask that we adopt the Committee amendments. What they do is, they give the qualifications for the hiring of the Director of Public Institutions. Also, we changed the one word "his" to "such" so that if they so desire that either sex could be hired for the position. I would ask the body to adopt the Committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I just got to this bill and I would like to ask Senator Rasmussen a question. Does this restrict who can be appointed to the Director's position through qualifications for that position and I am referring specifically to the qualifications that we had in a personnel system for the Warden of the State Penitentiary and they didn't pay any attention to it anyway. Now, I would like to ask you if you are going to do the same thing in the Department of Institutions?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Very definitely. It says the person so appointed shall have, but whether they go along with it or not, I can't guarantee that or can you but there is restrictions there, Senator Barnett. The person so appointed shall have a Masters Degree and so forth and so forth.

SENATOR BARNETT: And as I understand it, another question, is that the Section of the bill now that you are amending is this the way it is written into law now through the personnel standards or through statute? It must be statute.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: I would gather it was statute because it came in and the Committee did not like the way the bill