

lowest common denominator? No. Again, for representative government to work we have to appreciate there are differences among us and those differences need to be enhanced, recognized and treated properly, otherwise we are not a representative body. Senator Lamb has pointed out that in his opinion even if we don't override the veto we will still have enough money to squeak through and I think he allows that it would be a squeaker this next year. He also is banking on the fact that this next year represents the short session, that is a sixty day session, and he believes that our costs are usually less in a sixty day session. Interestingly enough I have had my assistant, Kim Lamberty, make a pretty careful study of our costs because I am working on something we are going to do with costs and it turns out that our costs in a short session are no different from our costs in a long session, same amount of costs. The real truth is that without this particular override we will have to make reductions. We simply will not be able to carry on as we presently are. We will continue to find our staff underpaid in relationship to the staff of other state offices. We will continue to find ourselves short staffed. We will find ourselves unable to deal adequately with a hundred and seven study resolutions. We will find ourselves unable to deal adequately with our various legislative functions and, in fact, we will have made a terrible mistake. I ask you for your support now. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The motion is Senator Johnson's motion to override the veto concerning legislative apportionment appointment, 628. All those in favor of the Johnson motion vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the Vard Johnson motion to override a line item veto of the legislative appropriation. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on page 2510 of the Legislative Journal.) 34 ayes, 13 ayes, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The Johnson motion carries and the line item veto is overridden. Anything else, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Nothing further on that bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: No more motions to override at the present time. Item number 12, LB 336. Do you have matters for the record, Mr. Clerk? Okay, may I have your attention, please? (Gavel.) If we are ready for LB 336, our Speaker has set a thirty minute limit on it and I don't know how much discussion might be possible on either side. I