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pass LB597, we're taking money from the people ahead of time. Now, I'm perfectly willing to confront the issues as far as expenditures for next year and Senator Lewis, as far as I'm concerned, has failed in his attempt to explain and bring up to date the facts and figures. And the burden of proof was on him. Now, if we are threatened by the Governor that the thing he will do is come in and cut his budget to meet a certain figure, I would suggest that you give us time enough up on this floor and we will confront the issues, major department by major department, not only show you soft spots in his budget at the moment but soft spots in case he proposes to decrease his expenditures. I think the issues before us, I think the game as far as the public is concerned is that we're trying to take money away from them in LB597 before we can prove that we actually need. Therefore, I vote....I ask you to vote aye on the motion to kill.

PRESIDENT: All right, the question before the House is to indefinitely postpone LB597. All those in favor vote aye. Opposed nay. Voting aye. Senator Luedtke voting aye.

CLERK: Senator Luedtke voting aye.

PRESIDENT: Has everybody voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 18 nays, 6 not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries and LB597 is indefinitely postponed.

CLERK: Mr. President, notice of an executive session of the Appropriations Committee today at 12:00 o'clock, immediately upon adjournment, signed, Senator Marvel. Mr. President, I move we recess until 2:00 o'clock, signed, Senator Fred Carstens.

PRESIDENT: Senator Simpson, do you have something to report. Some announcements, Senator Simpson?

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, there is one thing that I would like to bring up at this time that I want to see doesn't happen today. Being absent from the chamber in the afternoon as a member of the Appropriations Committee, I feel that yesterday afternoon there was some action taken which I would have classed to some extent illegal and I was not present or I would have objected and it would not have happened. And that is moving the bills from General File by unanimous consent. Now, I'm again going to be in budget committee again this afternoon and I would hope the Body would in no way let this happen again. I wanted to go further on this but the time is to adjourn now and I only want this issue brought before us.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Mr. Chairman, if the Senator had been yesterday it wouldn't have happened apparently. I can assure him if he's objecting today for this afternoon, it won't happen this afternoon. It's the only way we can expedite business.

PRESIDENT: All right, motion to recess until 2:00 p.m. All those.....Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: With permission of the Chair, how many committees are meeting this afternoon?