

May 14, 1979

LB 124, 124A, 138

SPEAKER MARVEL: All provisions of law having been complied with the question is, shall the bill pass with the emergency clause attached. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 13 nays, 1 excused and not voting. Vote appears on page 2117 of the Legislative Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The bill is declared passed with the emergency clause attached. The Clerk will read on final reading LB 124A.

CLERK: Read 124A.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All provisions of law having been complied with the question is, shall the bill pass. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 11 nays, 1 excused and not voting, 1 present and not voting. Vote appears on pages 2117-2118 of the Legislative Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Bill is declared passed. Next bill is LB 138.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a motion on the desk.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Clerk read the motion.

CLERK: Read Carsten motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Chair recognizes Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, members of the legislature. I move to return LB 138 for a specific amendment. This amendment is the one that we did briefly talk about this morning when we were working on the appropriation bills and trying to get them down to 7% level. Reluctantly I have consented to carry this amendment because I have supported 138 clear from the beginning. I think that it is a bill that does need to be addressed, but in addition to that, I am convinced that we need to be mindful of our responsibilities here as state senators and our responsibilities to the people of the state, and every time I go home I keep hearing repeated statements that you expect us to live on a 7% budget, why doesn't the state follow suit? What is good for the goose is good for the gander. Well it is hard to defend that. I feel that I have to give some concession as others have in this budgetary process. I only wish that we might be able to