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in my opinion was not originated by the education group but by the Revenue Committee. I am opposed to the kill motion and you do as you see fit. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Stoney.

SENATOR STONEY: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, there is a conflict in what is encompassed in 627 and 609. There is a direct contradiction. We are talking about two absolutely different subjects and I think LB 609, to reiterate, does nothing more but correct the error that we had in passage of LB 2, in that if LB 609 is successful in its passage, it will make it no more difficult to remove a budget limitation than it is to impose one and, ladies and gentlemen, it could be just through a quirk of fate or some mystical magic that LB 627 will not be successful, and if that is the case, I would certainly like to have LB 609 enacted so the initiative petition issue is at equity so I would oppose the kill motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I am sorry that my good friend from Southeast Nebraska depicted a little bit of frustration in his voice. I would like to correct him. Senator Carsten has been around long enough to know that there are rumors that float around all the time. I have heard some things about where a certain bill, where 609 came from, too. I think his name is Jaksha and I know he polled me at my office before session ever started about my position on Section 10 of the original LB 2 and he also misquoted me in a newspaper in terms of what I told him I would and would not do, and for the record, I want to be very clear. 627 is Jerry Koch's bill, not from education, not from any place, because I was also one of those who helped sign on on LB 2 as a coauthor with Senator Warner. So for the record, it did not come from the NSEA, it did not come from the school boards, it did not come from anyone but me, and if you look at who I introduced it on behalf of, I think I said the boys and girls of the State of Nebraska. So if you want to challenge someone, challenge the kids who are in school. That is who I put it in for and that is the record. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, members of the body, I rise to oppose the kill motion on this bill, LB 609. I think we need it. It was introduced with good intentions. It