

November 7, 1981

LB 7, LB 8

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 37 ayes, 8 nays, 1 present and not voting, 3 excused and not voting. Vote appears on pages 120-121 of the Legislative Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: LB 7 is declared passed with the emergency clause attached. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I am about to sign and do sign LB 8 and LB 7. Senator Beutler your light is on for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BEUTLER: A point of information.

SPEAKER MARVEL: State your point.

SENATOR BEUTLER: If I understand the process that we are going through, it will now be, the Governor will now have the prerogative to line item veto LB 8. Because of the unique circumstances of special session it will be his prerogative not only to accept the reductions that we made but because of the physical set up of the bill it will be conceivable that the Governor could further reduce expenditures by interlineation and line item vetoes on LB 8. In that context I think that it would be irresponsible for this group to adjourn sine die without leaving ourselves the alternative of an override unless there is some kind of commitment from the Governor to this body that there will not be line item vetoes of LB 8. I would like to ask yourself, Mr. Speaker, or whoever speaks for the Governor in this body, apparently a lot of people have been recently, if in fact the Governor is committed to signing the bill in the form that has come to him as indicated in the newspaper reports because I think there should be discussion on that point if in fact he is not so committed.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Legislature will stand at ease for a few minutes. The Legislature will come to order please. Before we go through the necessary procedure of adjournment I would like to make, may I have the attention of the Legislature please? I have before me two bills which have just been signed by the Governor, LB 7, LB 8 and I now propose to proceed with the motions that will lead up to adjournment. Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. President, I move that a committee of