

with it. Now, my suggestion is that the A bill not be killed, but rather that the A bill be advanced, and people can make their ultimate decisions about LB 835 and LB 835A on Final Reading. I know this is a hotly debated, hotly contested issue. But simply because it is a hotly debated, hotly contested issue doesn't mean that we should throw away the A bill. We ought to at least keep the A bill alive. If it is not necessary on Final Reading then we can vote against it or kill it at that time. If it is necessary then it can then be used.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. Senator Lundy is next, but may I introduce some guests of Senator Landis, please. In the north balcony we have 15 fourth and fifth graders from Living Word School in Lincoln and teacher. Would you folks please stand. Thank you for visiting us today. Senator Lundy, please.

SENATOR LUNDY: Mr. Speaker, I would call the question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please vote. Senator DeCamp, would you like to close, please.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator DeCamp, would you like to close, please.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, Senator Johnson, Senator Vard Johnson suggested possibly just leave the A bill until final and make your decision there. I have a very definite reason for wanting to kill it, and I want to tell you what it is. It is as much symbolic as anything. It is that the Legislature will not allow an agency to literally abuse the body with false information in their device or attempts to lobby. Let me give you a clear cut example of how this was done a few years ago. The Revenue Department, and Bill Peters and I still joke and laugh about it today, he was then the Tax Commissioner, and Governor Exon didn't want the litter law, so they put a fiscal note that it would cost \$225,000 to collect the taxes. As I say, Bill knew what he was doing, he was following instructions. Their idea was to kill the bill. They didn't have the votes to stop it, so they put a hokey fiscal note on. He can tell you the whole story today. In fact, it cost 30,000 or 35,000 maximum to do the entire job. And, of course, the revenue raised was considerably more. In this particular case the