

agenda, before we do, the Chair would like to take this opportunity to introduce some twenty fourth grade students, one teacher, two parents from Senator Fowler's and Senator Luedtke's district and they are up here in the south balcony. Would they stand up and be recognized for the Legislature? Welcome to your Legislature. Proceed then with agenda item number eight on motions and the first one on the agenda is LB 508, a motion by Senator Rumery.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Rumery moves to request the Clerk to ask the Governor to return LB 508 for further consideration by the Legislature.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Rumery.

SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we inadvertently left the emergency clause off of the bill and we would like to bring it back to place that on. I think it takes thirty votes, doesn't it, Mr. President?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: You're just asking for the return... to request the Governor to return it to this body?

SENATOR RUMERY: Yes.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: As I recall we did that the other day with twenty-five votes. I'm going to rule twenty-five. As I recall it was twenty-five votes the other day. You know we returned it with no objection so I'm going to rule twenty-five votes. Any further discussion on the motion of Senator Rumery to request the Governor to return LB 508? All those in favor of the motion to return or request the Governor to return vote aye. Opposed nay. Have you all voted? Let's get enough back here on the floor to vote so we can move the business along. The motion is Senator Rumery's motion to request the Governor to return LB 508 to place the emergency clause on it. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Yes, Senator Rumery.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on Senator Rumery's motion, Mr. President.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The motion carries and the letter will be sent to the Governor to return and then we will handle it when it comes back. Next motion under item eight is LB 555, a motion by Senator Duis.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Duis moves to place LB 555 on General File in accordance with Rule three, Section 10b.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, LB 555 is a legislative bill I had in Judiciary Committee which had to do with the sentencing of the sexual assault to the twenty-five years on the first offense. The bill has been held up in Committee and I talked to the Chairman of the Committee and he said there was no way of getting the bill out of the Committee. Apparently the vote was tied or something and they are not going to meet any more. I merely ask that it be brought out of Committee so that it can be on the floor of the Legislature and I will amend the bill when it comes on the floor of the Legislature to make the bill more palatable inasmuch as that I would