

runs counter to your personal belief. I have respect for those of you who are able to stand for your convictions, despite what appears to be overwhelming opposition to that position. One example I want to make, and then I'm...my close is at an end, Lee Rupp was a member of this body. When he ran for the Legislature he ran on the platform of favoring the death penalty. When my bill came up to abolish the death penalty, he voted against that bill all the way down the line, until Final Reading, then he changed his position, because he felt the death penalty should be abolished, and voted to abolish the death penalty. Although he had run on a platform favoring it, had voted to uphold it all the way down the line, and switched his position to vote to abolish, he got no opposition as a result of that vote from his constituents. So I hope those who do have a principle on this issue will let that principle prevail and vote to bring this bill out of committee. Madam President, in the interest of time, I would ask for a call of the house, and then I'll take a machine vote.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We have a motion for a call of the house. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The house is under call. All members who are not excused, please return to their seats. Unauthorized personnel must leave the floor. Please record your presence. We will have a roll call vote. Senator Lowell Johnson, Senator Rod Johnson, Senator Wehrbein, Senator Wesely, Senator Lynch, Senator Beutler, would you please return to your seats. Senator Schimek, would you please check in. Senator Smith, would you please check in. We are still looking for Senator Lowell Johnson. Still looking for Senator Lowell Johnson and Senator Lynch. We will proceed with the vote, and it is a machine vote, rather than a roll call vote. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 20 nays, Madam President, on the motion to place LB 327 on General File.

PRESIDENT MOUL: LB 327 is placed on General File. We will proceed now with General File. I will raise the call. And LB 714.