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sell their fertilizers and insecticides and pesticides don't want to step up to the plate and help with this program. Just pass the buck, let somebody else do it. We don't want a fertilizer tax. We don't want any tax. Put it on property taxes, whatever, that's fine, but we need to make sure the programs are funded and we need to be on board together. This is not something that's easy for me to support. I can walk away from this and say, look, we didn't tax you. I can walk away from it, I really can, but I don't think that's the proper thing to do, and I certainly appreciate people like Senator Preister and Senator Beutler stepping up to the plate, and, Senator Pederson, I appreciate your comments this morning, we can't walk away from this. We can put it off for a week and we can speak with a united voice, and I think the people behind the glass are dedicated to do that, but the clock is at 11:49 a.m., and we keep putting it off and I'm getting tired. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a priority motion. Senator Wickersham would ask unanimous consent to bracket LB 329 until March 29, 2001.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Any objections? So ordered. Items for the record?

CLERK: Amendments to be printed: Senator Bourne to LB 657; Senator Landis to LB 362. I have a series of appointment letters from the Governor. Those will be referred to Reference Committee. Judiciary Committee reports LB 383 to General File, LB 426 to General File with amendments, those signed by Senator Brashear. And a reminder, the Education Committee will have an Executive Session at noon in Room 1525. (Legislative Journal pages 1149-1151.)

Mr. President, priority motion, Senator Coordsen would move to recess until 1:30 p.m.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the motion. The question before the body is, shall we recess? All in favor say aye. Those opposed say nay. We are in recess.