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can put \$2.5 billion on one page or two pages or three pages of budget actions, but it will be ready in about ten days. I'm going to use it heavily in talks that I give, I hope, on program by program within agencies, and I intend to use it, at least, to offer it to people, program by program, within Supreme Court, for example, within university system, for example, and ask where they would make their cuts. And we would have that information. And I'll...I, in my case, I probably could explain most programs. But if you have questions, feel free to ask staff. I wasn't going to hand that out, but it will be available. Program by program. Some of our programs are fairly large, because we've put them together; they're not as detailed as they used to be, because we gave many agencies more flexibility than they used to have. And in a bigger program they can make those adjustments. Where in the past we've had probably more control over some of those program-by-programs because...so we get a count. But in these times we let them have a little more leeway. So there's more things in some programs than there used to be. But if you'd like to find out what is in those programs, ask the fiscal staff. Just call. And they can explain that, and then find out where people want to make their cuts. And I'll stop short of predicting a special session. I don't want to...again, I don't want to alarm. I'm reluctant to even do this. But at least have an idea of where people think they're going to start taking those cuts. With that, Mr. Speaker, I think I'll stop and thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Senator. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign LB 1303, LB 1105, LB 1062, LB 1062A, LB 1033, LB 1033A, LB 994 and LB 994A, LB 957, LB 952 and LB 952A, LB 931 and LB 931A and LB 729. We next move to legislative resolutions. Again, I would ask the indulgence of the introducers, and Senator...or, excuse me, Mr. Clerk, LR 460.

CLERK: LR 460, Mr. President, by Senator Landis, found on page 1616 of the Journal.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Landis, you're recognized to open.