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that that message has been adequately conveyed today. Again I urge you to support Senator DeCamp's amendment and then I would urge us to advance this bill and adopt it with the required 33 votes.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I have a question of Senator Cullan, maybe Senator DeCamp, but first Senator Cullan.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan, will you respond?

SENATOR NEWELL: I know there is some magic and some logic in the March 1st effective date of the repeal. I suppose that is to allow us to move the bill quickly through the Legislature if we need, if the federal government is playing hardball. Is that basically the purpose and is March 1st the appropriate time? Should it be a little later because we don't traditionally move bills all that rapidly, etcetera? I want to hear the arguments for the logic in the March 1st deadline.

SENATOR CULLAN: The March 1st deadline was selected by Senator DeCamp, but I think that would give us the opportunity to reenact the statute if that is, in fact, required and if no action has been taken on the federal level. But I think it is a reasonable compromise. If you want to change the date, you know, I have no serious objection to that.

SENATOR NEWELL: Johnny, just quickly...(interruption).

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp, will you respond?

SENATOR NEWELL:how secure do you feel about the March 1st....(interruption).

SENATOR DeCAMP: I don't care about deadlines or dates. I thought that was a reasonable date. You would have two months of the legislative session and we do have the short session. I thought it would give enough time. It also was better than April 1st.

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes, looking at Congress' workload and so forth, is that a reasonable time to expect them to make some changes in this law?

SENATOR DeCAMP: I think you are going to see....you are going to see the rules and regs by then. You will know a