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the contributory negligence standard. In other words, we have never made a distinction as between public entities and private entities, as far as that standard is concerned. We have always treated that as applicable to all, and I think we should continue to do that. To suggest that 88 should be held suggests that we should start to relate that to, or maybe have a different standard for public bodies than we have for private bodies as far as contributory negligence is concerned. And nobody has really ever suggested that. What Senator Warner is suggesting again is the need for exemptions in the Political Subdivisions Torts Act and that is a subject that is certainly one we can and should take up. But, historically, that is not a subject that has been related to the subject matter of LB 88. And so, once again, let's get a good piece of work finished. We are just a little ways away from finishing a good piece of work. If we can get to the Kristensen amendment, get it done, we have completed that piece of work, and then we can go on and do the next piece of work. We will have done a good job on this piece of work and I think we can do a good job on the next piece of work, if we can quit wasting our time and just get to the substance of matters. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. We will now proceed to Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, I call the question.

SPEAKER BAACK: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. We will now proceed to vote on ceasing debate. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Debate has ceased. Senator Hefner, do you wish to close on your motion to bracket?

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, this motion brackets LB 88 until February 27th. I have no intent to hold LB 88 hostage. Senator Ashford, that is not my intention to hold it hostage. All I want to do is get these two bills up closer together so we can see exactly what we are doing, and maybe I don't understand each of the bills, but I believe I do. But we need to work these two bills together, and I am not badgering this bill. I want that plain and simple, and if LB 88