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that LB 507 should be repealed but that was the will of the majority of this body so we have it on the books and it will probably remain on the books. Now, the question is, how does LB 507 apply to this particular bill? Well, as I said, my concern was with the estimates and if you look at LB 371, LB 371 clearly complies with LB 507. Look at the fiscal note on it. The fiscal note clearly provides and complies with LB 507. It does a four-year estimate on the different types of crimes that are going to be increased, second degree murder, habitual criminal, deadly weapon, goodtime. In estimates as to how many new inmates will be placed in our correctional facility, it clearly provides with LB 507 and to my estimation there would be no problem with LB 371 if we passed the A bill, but we don't have that type of...we don't have that opportunity and so I'm really on a horns of a dilemma here because I do support LB 371. I added my name on as one of the sponsors of the bill but my estimation is this bill is going to be null and void because it does not comply with LB 507 and there's not a question as to whether or not there can be an estimate. The Legislature has provided this estimate. We've made an estimate, and since we've provided the evidence and the substantiation to the person that's going to be challenging this, I would assume we're going to have a very difficult time defending that LB 507 should not be applied.

SENATOR HALL: One minute.

SENATOR ABOUD: That's all, thanks.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Senator Crosby, followed by Senator Lindsay. The question has been called. Do I see four seconds? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR HALL: Debate is ceased. Senator Chambers, you're recognized to close on your motion to bracket.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I've taken issue with General Stenberg in the past so I want to be fair and I'm going to read into the record the May 26, 1993 news release from Governor Benjamin Nelson and this is what it says, oh, and it's with reference to LB 507. Governor Ben