

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Abboud, your light is next.

SENATOR ABOUD: Mr. President, members, would Senator Lindsay yield to a question?

SENATOR HALL: Senator Lindsay, would you respond?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes.

SENATOR ABOUD: Senator Lindsay, I'm going to be right to the point on this, on the issue, as far as with 371 and its impact on how it is impacted by LB 507. I have a copy of the passage of the bill, LB 507. I'm going to read to you a couple of sentences here. It states that the appropriate any legislation enacted after June 30, 1993 which does not include estimates required by this section, it is not accompanied by a required appropriation shall be null and void. Directly above that it talks about that the appropriation shall be enacted at the same legislative session which the legislation is enacted and shall be contained in a bill which does not contain appropriations for other programs. How do you square LB 371 with these portions of LB 507?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Two ways, Senator Abboud. One is that the certainly the spirit of the bill has been met. We have, if you look at the fiscal note, you know, fiscal notes on several bills, and all bills now do this since the passage of that legislation, and that is that it does have a four-year projection, with a four-year projection of costs plus future annual costs for any bill that does have that. The fiscal note itself and the fiscal note I'm looking at on LB 371 does state out for '95-96, '96-97, '97-98, '98-99, each of those fiscal years it sets forth an amount broken down on what the bill is going to cost into the future. The...it also the A bill was killed partially because the Legislature did make a determination as we mentioned. We did not need to appropriate the \$25,000 to operate or to pay for it this year because we made a determination after having discussed it with the department that they could absorb that. Otherwise we are appropriating money to them that they don't need to operate. It was very clearly, at least in the spirit of 507, it was taken into consideration the amount of money that they needed to operate their budget including what was done in 371 was taken