

be talking about. Again, not specifically enacted, but the Legislature is aware of it and knowing that, voted to kill the appropriations bill because the money was unneeded. There is in the mainline budget bill, no, it's not a separate bill, but there is the \$405,000, \$405,690 that's included in there. I think the bottom line on this is that everything that was intended to be accomplished by 507 has been accomplished. Anybody on this floor who wants to know or the public that wants to just request a copy of the fiscal note knows exactly what the projections are, knows exactly the amount of money that we're talking about. So that spirit of the bill has been accomplished and the question is, have we passed it to the letter? Maybe, maybe not. Bottom line, I think the objections that are raised this late into the process, whether the A bill...I should clear that up, whether the A bill was killed or not this would not have complied with the letter of LB 507, just as no other bill that we passed in the last two years has. So the A bill is irrelevant to the process. It may have been the thing that sparked the request for the Attorney General's Opinion, but it is irrelevant, the bill would not have complied either way with the exact letter of the law. But I think given this...everything that we've talked about it's very clear that the information is available. Every item requested by 507 is available and has been available, continues to be available to senators, to the public, to anyone. So we can come up with...we can, I think, come up with reasons to vote against the crime bill and I think there may be some that will do that, some have sincere concerns about whether it ought to pass right now, but I think that's what we're doing is just coming up with excuses on why not to vote for it. The fact is, I think the bill is...it would be...while there is a presumption, mentioned as Senator Witek mentioned, a presumption LB 507 is constitutional. There is also a presumption that LB 371, if voted upon by enough members of this body, if signed by the Governor, there's a presumption that it too is constitutional. There is also the finding that before this...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR LINDSAY: ...before the bill passes, as Senator Kristensen mentioned, the Lieutenant Governor will mention, that all provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with. There will be a finding that we have complied with the procedural aspects, prerequisite to the passage of the bill and I would concur with that. I think what we have is an issue that