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provided for a task force and provided that this was to cease to exist on December 31, 1994. Since this date is past, this section is now obsolete. I would recommend the advancement of this bill. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Is there any discussion on the advancement of LB 897? Seeing none, the question before you is...excuse me, Senator Coordsen, to close. Closing is waived. The question before you is the advancement of LB 897. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of LB 897.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: LB 897 advances. LB 898.

CLERK: LB 898 was a bill introduced by the Chairperson of the Executive Board. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 3, referred directly to General File, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. LB 898, as indicated by the Clerk, repeals 17 sections relating to health care providers. This is a provider tax that was in effect for a year or so in our effort to leverage some more federal funding. The first sections, 23-3586 and 23-3594.01 to 3594.09 terminated on July 1, 1995. The remaining sections, Sections 77-4801 to 77-4807, provided a tax be imposed on all health care providers for calendar years '93 and '94. These years have past. These sections are now obsolete. I would recommend the advancement of LB 898. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Any discussion on the advancement of LB 898? Seeing none, Senator Coordsen to close. Closing is waived. The question before you is the advancement of LB 898. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of LB 898.