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of every member of the Legislature. Clearly, I'm aware by name of some of the people who voted against the bill because they spoke on the floor and made their views clear, but if you were to ask me to take a piece of paper and write the names of all those who voted against these bills, I couldn't tell you. That's not what makes me any difference. You know the only thing that I look at on the board? How many votes are in the final tally. If there were enough to carry the issue, that's all that I care about. So I'm not here today to praise Caesar nor to bury Caesar, not to criticize or chastise any of my colleagues, but to try to persuade you that it is not irresponsible if we vote the money for this study. I will even quote my primary irritant on this bill, oh, and he's not here. Oh, yes, he is, Senator Bruning. At one point he said, study the issue, study, study, study the issue. It ought to be studied. It ought to continue to be studied. I pay attention to what people say here. That's all that what we're doing today will accomplish. The moratorium, brothers and sisters, is dead. There is no way anybody can misrepresent what your vote will accomplish today. It deals only with a study, no moratorium, and I hope that at least 29 of you will join me in voting to override. Obviously, I would be happy to have as much company as possible so, if there are 48 of us here, which there probably are not, I would be honored and delighted to have 47 of my colleagues join me, or I'd be in a position to say I joined 47 of my colleagues. But I hope you will seriously consider this and give a vote to override.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. On the motion to override the veto of LB 76A, Senator Bruning.

SENATOR BRUNING: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, you can see by the sheet of paper I've passed out that my initial concern is whether or not procedurally we can pass an A bill for funding when, in the A bill, it references a bill that is now dead. Previously in this debate, I said I had no objection to studying the death penalty and I continue to have no objection. This subject is serious enough that it's the type of thing that we need to continue to study. And if we study it this year and perhaps we need to study it again next year, and again and again and again, this is an important issue, no question. I don't want to ever diminish the importance by saying we shouldn't