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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brashear. As you just heard, we now go to General File...I'm sorry. Mr. Clerk. 3:00 p.m., motion to override the gubernatorial vetoes. LB 425. Senator Don Pederson, as Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, you're recognized to give your report to the legislative body.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. There has been circulated among you the report from the Appropriations Committee. And pursuant to Rule 6, Section 14, the Appropriations Committee has examined the Governor's line-item vetoes contained in LB 425, and the committee makes no recommendation with respect to the line-item vetoes contained in that bill. And so in other words, the committee itself is not seeking to override any of the individual items of the LB 425 or any of the line-item otherwise. So, I know that there are four motions pending, which is the right of individual senators, to bring motions to override individual line-items. And I suggest we proceed in that respect at this time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Chairman Peterson, for your report. Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first motion I have is by Senator Kruse. Senator Kruse would move that that portion of LB 425 found in Sections 123 and 126 become law notwithstanding the line-item objection of the Governor.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Kruse, to open on your motion.

SENATOR KRUSE: Mr. President and members, thank you. My motion is to override the veto on the local transit systems. And I'll tell you now that I intend to withdraw this motion on closing. I also want to add that I bring this motion and this information by the consent of the Appropriations Committee. Cannot speak for them as individuals, but I am fairly confident in saying that as individuals, we are concerned about the serious lack of understanding of this fund. And the purpose of this time here is to help us all sing on the same page. This is a little-known