

the IPP motion. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes, Mr. President, I would request a call of the house.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Please clear the board, Mr. Clerk. Request for a call of the house. Those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 18 ayes, 1 nay to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The house is under call. Members, please return to your seats. Those outside the Legislative Chamber, please report to the Chamber. Unauthorized personnel, please leave the legislative floor. Record your presence, please. Senator Lynch. Senators Johanns, Higgins, Schmit. Senator Johanns, Senator Schmit, the house is under call. Members will please report to their seats. Senator Abboud is requesting a roll call in regular order. Members, please return to your seats. Proceed, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read the roll call vote as found on page 941 of the Legislative Journal.) 22 ayes, 22 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The motion to IPP fails. The call is raised. The next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have nothing further on the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Wesely, your light is on. We are now discussing the advancement of the bill.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. Speaker, members, I am grateful that you did not kill this piece of legislation but it looks like we're going to have a fairly difficult time advancing it. Senator Warner said, just a minute ago, that was close. Of course, we know that and let me tell you that it is close but let me also ask you to vote for the advancement of the bill. We're discussing, at this moment, the heart and soul of the issue that I think predominates on the minds of the public in the State of Nebraska and that is the issue of tax fairness. And in that issue you have a recognition that changes last year have made a dramatic shift in tax burden in this state and the average person of the state, the average taxpayer, the middle income working people of this state, see a definite change that