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LB 24A

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Pedersen. Senator Pedersen is kind of between a rock and a hard place, but his practicality, his good sense is pushing all of that other stuff we argue about to the side and he knows, as Senator Foley knows, both are intelligent men when it comes to this issue, that it is of value to have vaccines used when they can prevent diseases from taking a foothold or if they can mitigate the harm caused by these diseases. And, to be frank, I am proud of both of them. They gave the answers I wanted them to give and I respect them for those answers. On another day, we can argue in a different way from the way we're discussing it today. But if when that day comes and that other issue arises, brothers and sisters, if we were to use the same logic, common sense and practical review of reality, a lot of heat would be gone from that debate and we would all say this research is necessary; we have benefited from it in the past; we are benefiting from it now; we will benefit from it in the future. So it might be all right for people to say my predilections would lead me to be against it; what I prefer is that it not occur, but I'm not going to try to pass a law...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...to prohibit or impede it in any way. Science must survive in order that the health of the public can be maintained. Mr. President, I would like to withdraw that motion.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: It's withdrawn. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read LB 24A on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: All procedures of law having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 24A, with the emergency clause attached, pass? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal page 2138.)  
45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 3 excused and not voting, Mr. President.