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SENATOR KRUSE: Thank you, Mr. President. Members, I'll be very brief because I agree, yes, it's time to quit talking and to vote on these things. I think we know where we're at. I would hope that if we were to pass Senator Chambers' amendment we would commit ourselves to doing what is needful, in terms of substance abuse, under Senator Jensen's leadership at the next session. This is the finest way we can...finest path we can take to reduce future expenses, if we were to follow his lead in that. And second, with all due respect, I'm not on a social cause, or this isn't...I don't even think of this as social cause whatsoever. I'm just thinking pure bucks. I'm sitting there in Appropriations Committee and we are subsidizing a huge loss, and I think we ought to quit subsidizing and collect where it needs to be collected. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kruse. We're debating FA1063. Seeing no further lights on, Senator Chambers, do you wish to close on your amendment?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I will ask for a call of the house, and I will take a machine vote, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Been a request for the house to go under call. All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Tw...(28 ayes, 0 nays, Legislative Journal page 1536.)

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And while we wait for them to gather, I will begin speaking.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You may.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Members of the Legislature, toward the end of sessions, I generally am in a position where I can offer, I'll call it, a deal to my colleagues. If you will agree to let me have the vote that is up there now, then I won't say another word on this issue. (Laughter) Well, I...I guess that is not going to be accepted. But you still can give that vote. I do not believe it will unsettle this bill. If the Governor looks at this bill with a jaundiced eye, that eyeball will turn yellow