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LB 138

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, those opposed vote no. Question before the House is shall debate cease. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 8 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Debate ceases. The Chair recognizes Senator Carsten to close on his amendment.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, I think the circumstances have been very well explained in the discussions we have had on it. I know that Senator Goodrich has long time been interested in getting the accomplishments of 138 and I have no objections to that. I have supported it, as I said earlier. I think that there is a time when we need to readjust our thinking if that needs to be done. In all appearances that was prevalent on the floor this morning that we were addressing ourselves to a self-imposed 7% and I think that this is, in my opinion, a part on my part of contributing to that. I know that there will be an impact on the county level. I'm very mindful of that. But, as Senator Kelly has stated in his brief remarks, we are going to be studying this whole picture in the state in the interim in detail. I am quite satisfied that in areas such as this we will have answers that...or have questions that we will attempt to answer in the near future. I would urge you to adopt the amendment to go along with those that we did adopt this morning and keep ourselves within that 7% limit. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is to return the bill to Select File for a specific amendment. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 11 nays on the motion to return to Select File, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Bill has been returned. Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: I move the amendment be adopted, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is the adoption of the amendment. Senator Cullan, you have your light on.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I rise to ask you to oppose Senator Carsten's amendment and to give some thought to LB 138 and to the legitimate role and the responsibilities of county versus state as far as the medical