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should support, and because of that, I hope you will support the amendment to LB 361. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion before the House is the adoption of the Newell amendment...I am sorry, the Landis amendment to 361. All those in favor of that amendment vote aye, opposed no. We are voting on the Landis amendment. Have you all voted?

SENATOR LANDIS: I will call for a roll call vote and then we can draw this to a close.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Let me check and see if everybody is here who is...do you want to record your presence, please, so we can see that everyone is here? Senator Schmit, would you record your presence please? Senator Fowler, would you record your presence please? Senator Venditte. Senator Landis, we are down to one. Do you want to proceed with the roll because Senator Venditte is unaccounted for at the moment? Do you want to proceed or wait for him? Mr. Sergeant at Arms, will you see if you can find Senator Venditte. Okay, call the roll.

CLERK: Roll call vote taken. (See page 1208, Legislative Journal.) 21 ayes, 17 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to adopt.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion lost.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Johnson and Newell now move to amend the bill.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Members of the body, I hear the groans as I stand up to speak mostly because we have spent an enormous amount of time on this bill. This is the shrink amendment that I discussed earlier before the Speaker's ruling that the amendment itself was out of order. I will make no further remarks on the amendment. I know that Nebraska has probably the highest shrinkage allowance in the United States and that allowance very simply keeps dollars out of the state treasury and keeps the dollars in the hands of the distributors and it seems to me that we ought to collect the taxes that people pay. They ought to go to our state treasury to then be disbursed into the Highway Trust Fund. My amendment would put some reason and light in this unfortunate process.

SENATOR CLARK PRESIDING

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kahle.