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spend our time with that. Senator Beutler has a modest recommendation. It is one that has been reviewed probably more thoroughly than most amendments presented to this Legislature. I would suggest that if you were at all sincere three or four years ago when you said we are going to have sunset, that you consider this amendment and that you adopt it and if you don't care about the process of sunset, please don't inflict it on us in the standing committees because we have better things we could do with our time as well.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Chairman, I move the previous question.

SENATOR CLARK: The question has been asked for. Do I see five hands? I do. Cease debate is the question. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting aye.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 8 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate is ceased. Senator Beutler, do you wish to close?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I would like to make a short closing. Again, the one and only thing this amendment does is make the Consumer Protection Act applicable to the motor vehicles industry. I neglected in my introduction to point out to you what the Consumer Protection Act does and if you would give me just a few minutes, I would like to read to you four provisions, they are short, from the Consumer Protection Act which essentially describes what that act prohibits. Section 59-1602: "Unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and the conduct of any trade or commerce shall be unlawful." Nothing revolutionary. Section 59-1603: "Any contract combination in the form of a trust or otherwise or conspiracy in restraint of trade or commerce shall be unlawful." Nothing revolutionary. "It shall be unlawful for any person to monopolize or attempt to monopolize or combine or conspire with any other person or persons to monopolize any part of trade or commerce." Nothing revolutionary. "It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or lease or contract for the sale of goods on the condition or understanding that the lessee or purchaser thereof shall not use or deal in the commodity