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LB 820

SENATOR HOAGLAND: We will let it go, Mr. Speaker. There are obviously not enough of them.

SENATOR CULLAN: Record vote.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, record the vote.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on page 1720 of the Legislative Journal.) 13 ayes, 24 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion lost. Next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Cullan moves to suspend Rule 6, Section 3 and Rule 7, Section 3 and vote without further debate and without further amendment on the advancement of LB 820.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, the amendment speaks for itself. I think we have seen a number of amendments and we have seen some sincere amendments, first of all, from Senator Beutler and some of the others and I think some of the amendments have indeed been sincere and have not been simply methods to attack the bill and I respect that right and this is not a motion that I ordinarily make but I do believe that we have addressed most of the major issues as far as the amendments are concerned. I think there may be some amendments that may be more acceptable on Select File but we have spent a great deal of time on this already. Time on General File is precious and I think we would move on. So I would urge you to vote for this motion to suspend the rules with no further amendments and move the bill. Before I relinquish the microphone, however, I would like to respond to you, Senator Hoagland, in particular about some of the comments that you just made in your last closing. You know, Senator Hoagland, I guess I have a great deal more respect for some of the members of this Legislature on a personal level perhaps than you do because I believe that legislators honestly believe the system is working well the way it is now and that they are not simply bowing to the lobby. There is no doubt that lobbyists on all issues, whether they are social issues or whether they are issues of this nature have an influence and have some input but indeed that is the way it should be. The people of the State of Nebraska should be able to select individuals to come down here and give us their points of view and as long as there is some balance to it and as long as we keep in our own minds the fact that we are here representing the people of the State of Nebraska and the people of our districts, then there is nothing wrong with that and I honestly and sincerely believe that the majority of the members of this Legislature,