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in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 7 ayes, 1 nay to go under Call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the House is under Call. All legislators are to be in their seats and record your presence. I diplomatically ask those that should not be on the floor to get off the floor. Senator Kilgarin, Senator Cope, Senator Kremer, Senator Fowler, Senator Beutler, Senator Hefner, Senator Howard Peterson, Senator Chronister, Senator Richard Peterson, Senator Goodrich, Senator Fitzgerald, Senator Barrett, Senator Landis, Senator Newell, Senator Chambers, Senator VonMinden. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker, since we are just on the adoption of the committee amendments I think call-in votes would be acceptable to me and take care of that that way.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Marsh. Yes, you can take call-in votes if you want.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator DeCamp voting yes, Senator Marsh voting yes, Senator Clark voting yes, Senator Beutler voting yes, Senator Kilgarin voting yes, Senator Wiitala voting yes, Senator Goodrich voting yes, Senator Chronister voting yes, Senator Fowler voting yes, Senator Newell voting yes.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, record.

CLERK: Senator Rumery voting yes, 27 ayes, 7 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Johnson, do you want to explain the bill?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Yes. Mr. Speaker, members of the body, this is a relatively simple bill that has a price tag for the state but the price tag that it has for the state will be a concomitant gain for the counties and for the property taxpayer. Under this measure, come July 1, 1983, the State Department of Public Welfare would become responsible for the administration of the state welfare programs. At this juncture Nebraska is one of eighteen states, we are in the minority of states, we are one of eighteen states that has our state welfare programs supervised by the Nebraska Department of Public Welfare and administered by the ninety-three counties. Now theoretically county administration seems like it is a plus for local control but as virtually any county commissioner will tell you, there is very little local control any more in the federal and state welfare programs