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LR 79

Warner, Senator Higgins. She is excused, okay. There are three excused and there are still four...three, four. Senator Wesely, Senator Fitzgerald, Senator Beutler and Senator Haberman. Mr. Sergeant at Arms, did you hear those names? Senator Fitzgerald, will you indicate your presence please? Senator Chambers, all but Senator Wesely are accounted for. Shall we proceed?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, I need every vote that I can get so can I ask for about a half a minute, literally, just about thirty more seconds, then we can proceed.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are looking for Senator Wesely, Mr. Sergeant at Arms. Senator Chambers, Senator Wesely is out of the building. Okay, call the roll. Do you want to read what we are voting on first?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, the motion is offered by Senator Chambers and that is to refer LR 79 to committee for a public hearing. (Roll call vote taken. See page 1849, Legislative Journal.) 20 ayes, 25 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion lost.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next motion I have on the resolution is to amend it. (Read Koch amendment found on page 1849, Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Obviously, we are going to request the Congress and the President to get out of our hair. We want the Tenth Amendment in full effect so let's do it. Let's not just pick a few areas because we believe that they are the ones abusing the system. Let's get in every issue where the government has interfered in the conduct of local efforts and determination. It bothers me when you only identify a few areas as though that is the only area of abuse. You know it wasn't too long ago we saw in 60 Minutes where certain people engaged in the business of agriculture were getting cheap loans to buy additional land when they really shouldn't have qualified for it, and yet that money was made available to them under the Farm Home Administration System. So if we are serious about requesting the Congress and the President of the United States to enforce the Tenth Amendment and make it a real amendment again, then let's get right to the root of it all and why don't we just simplify the whole amendment and say any where you're involved in the private sector or the public sector, let us handle it.

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