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lines and there is some reason to follow that. I quickly... whether or not 1.15 is too much, I do not know. I certainly do recognize and would accept that if the body feels that is too high, that the splitting of counties is what is necessary, then this or some other amendment perhaps is appropriate, but I cannot support the amendment because I do feel that the 1.15 is adequate. It certainly is less than 1.5 that the Supreme Court held unconstitutional in another case, and I would...certainly cannot support the amendment as proposed.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Barrett, you are the last speaker.

SENATOR BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Then in the interest of time and as a member of the committee that has wrestled with this subject for many, many weeks, I rise in total support of Senator Hefner and his motion. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: The question before the House is the adoption of the Hefner amendment. All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted on the Hefner amendment? Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 11 nays on adoption of Senator Hefner's amendment, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The amendment is adopted. Anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Fowler would move to indefinitely postpone the bill. Pursuant to our rules, that would lay it over.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: I put the motion up there to allow...to ensure that there would be adequate discussion and the discussion may have been not quite full, at least we have had some, and for that reason I would ask unanimous consent to withdraw that motion.

SENATOR CLARK: We are ready to advance the bill. All those in favor of advancing the bill vote aye. All those opposed vote no.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

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