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SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Mr. President, I call for the question, please.

SENATOR CLARK: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. All those who wish to cease debate vote aye, opposed nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Newell, do you wish to close?

SENATOR NEWELL: Very briefly, Mr. President. The proposal allows local boards to exceed the 7% lid and go to 9%, as much as 9%. They don't have to go that high if a three-fourths majority of the board authorizes it. Frankly, I offered this only to get away from the many, many exemption proposals. I offered it for the Legislature's consideration. I feel it has a relationship to need. The inflation rate is much higher than that and has been recently. I won't feel terribly bad if it does not go on. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: The question before the House is the adoption of the Newell amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting no.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 9 ayes, 26 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the Newell amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: The motion fails. Do you have anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator DeCamp would move to amend the bill. It is Request #2641.

SENATOR CLARK: We only have fourteen bills left after this one. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, you've got a good point and I will be brief. This ain't a heck of a lot different than what Senator Newell just tried. It says 9½% and it uses two-thirds. From contact I have had with public officials they say, getting three-fourths of a body is nigh onto impossible, whereas getting two-thirds is something that is at least within the realm of possibility and this says, if