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there and I hate to have a Call of the House. We really only need three more votes. That's what I thought, now we only need two more. We only need one more.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Kahle, do you wish to...?

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, we will have to ask for a Call of the House it looks like and we will take call in votes if we can get the extra one vote.

SENATOR LAMB: A Call of the House has been requested. Call ins will be accepted. Those in support of going under Call vote aye, those opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 18 ayes, 1 nay to go under Call, Mr. President.

SENATOR LAMB: The House is under Call. All unauthorized persons leave the floor. All Senators please be in their seats. Record your presence. Call ins have been authorized.

CLERK: Senator Wesely voting no. Senator Barrett voting yes.

SENATOR LAMB: Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 13 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SENATOR LAMB: The committee amendments have been adopted. Senator Fowler to present the bill.

SENATOR FOWLER: Mr. President, to discuss the original bill and the concept, I will try and explain the technology and certainly I am no television engineer, but essentially within the TV are TV pictures made up of five hundred some lines as you look at the screen there but not all those lines carry a picture on it. There is about twenty-one lines, twenty-five lines, I guess it is, that are blank, and if your picture rolls on the screen sometimes you see this little black line that goes around and around and those are twenty-five lines that have no picture in them but that doesn't mean that information cannot be communicated through them. One line of those twenty-five, line twenty-one, has been set aside for information to the hearing impaired and that information can be received by a TV set and converted into a full picture on the TV if there is a converter. And you may notice in your TV listings now and then it says that a program is closed caption, that is, that it has captioning that would go under the screen but it doesn't show up on the screen unless there is one of these converters. There