

that we lay it over and it takes 25 votes to do that, that there are that 25 votes here this afternoon. My purpose was to make sure that everybody that is from a county that perhaps is not all that thrilled with this bill have the chance to vote on it. So with that, I'd just. . . I can't see any harm in holding it over till we find out what we are going to do with 816. Now, everybody says lets run it over to Select and then we will do something with it on Final. Well you know how we love that. So, I think we ought to hold it right here until we get a good feeling of what we are doing. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Higgins, he was closing, he was closing on . . . this is the motion to lay it over and he was closing. The question before the House is shall LB 522 be laid over. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. This, at this point this takes just a majority of those voting too. That is true. That is what the rules now call for. A majority of those voting. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 13 ayes, 20 nays to lay the bill over, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. The bill is still before us and we are still on the motion, we don't have an amendment. We are just on the motion to advance, right? All right, now who wants to speak? Senator Kahle is the only one. Senator Kahle you want to speak now on the motion to advance, now that you lost the other one.

SENATOR KAHLE: I get a kick out of my colleagues over here. They are the ones that are going to get heck, not me, if this bill goes through. So I think it is a hopeless proposition for me this afternoon to argue with them. I guess my problem is that I need to analyze my own county and the counties I serve whether they are really interested in getting that fund relief or whether they would like to keep some control. I just believe that we are hurrying this along too fast at this stage of the game. There is a lot of arguments for keeping it in the counties, a lot of arguments. The service is going to be less, absolutely, there is no question about it. Senator Cullan argues that the costs are going to be less if we go to a centralized program, I'm not convinced of this. I just don't believe, we have talked many, many times, hundreds of times since I have been in this legislature about local control. This is one issue that you still could keep some local control over, a costly program where you have some effect on who receives benefits and who does not. I'm not going to take up any more time this afternoon. I want to get my two cents