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CLERK: 26 ayes, 15 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries. Debate ceases. Before Senator Wesely closes on this....Senator Apking, we have some twelve students from...very special students I think you would like to introduce yourself so I'll just let you introduce your guests.

SENATOR APKING: Mr. President, colleagues, I have twelve students from Ohiowa in the North balcony and this is kind of a special town to me because some of my ancestors were early settlers there and this is the last time that we will have students from Ohiowa. Their school has bowed to a small enrollment and they will be attending elsewhere next year.

PRESIDENT: Up here in the North balcony and welcome to Ohiowa. And we also have from Senator Fowler's district, also in the North balcony, 22 eighth graders from Blessed Sacrament School with Mrs. Rosanne Ruby, sponsor. They are up here. Where are they? Can they wave to us so we can see where they are? Welcome to your Unicameral Legislature. Okay, Senator Wesely, you may close on your motion to return.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, as you know, the bill as introduced would have had a thirty year payback period. It was amended down to twenty-five years. What I'm asking is to go to twenty. I think that deals with the problems that were brought to the attention of the committee and the members of the Legislature as to the problems of issuing the bonds. I know Senator Newell mentioned he could live with the twenty year period. Would you like to respond to that? I'd like to ask you how you feel about the amendment?

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, Don, I would urge Senator Goodrich to go with twenty years and I think that at this point in time the rehabilitation provisions and the fact that twenty years is probably all that most of the bond issues are ever going to sell for anyways, and that argument hasn't been particularly well accepted, Glenn. Not a lot of people have listened to you when you have said that but I think at this point in time it might be a wise idea to support the Wesely amendment. I would hope, Don, that you would ask Senator Goodrich again, give him maybe a second to think about it, and ask him to help you.

SENATOR WESELY: Senator Koch, I'd like to ask you about your feelings on the matter. Senator Koch.