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LB 868

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

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted on ceasing debate? Record the vote.

CLERK: 20 ayes, 6 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate has not ceased. Senator Koch is next... no, Senator Beutler, pardon me. He hasn't spoken yet. Senator Beutler. Alright, Senator Landis. Alright Senator DeCamp is... Senator Koch, do you want to talk again? That will be the last speaker then.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I'll tell you why these people took that amendment, because they are naive. When you're on death row you're going to take any kind of stay of execution you can get. I walked out there and they said, we agreed to do this. I said, why did you do that and they said, well we think it is the best we can get and I said, well, I'm sorry you did that. Don't give in too soon because we may stay execution for a while. I told you before and Senator Fenger said they didn't show up for LB 939. No, they didn't know what was going on. They don't have professional lobbyists to read the papers to find out what public hearings are. Otherwise they would have been here like they have been here the last several days so I think it's unfair. Either we are going to have a resolution to study the problems of SIDs that relates to a lot of different issues or do away with the resolution because it isn't going to meet a thing. It is an exercise in futility on their part. Now I notice as I look at the original LB 868. It is interesting to see who supported it, the former congressman John Cavanaugh, etc., etc. etc. Opponents Mr. Croker and Mr. Huck. Now why did they oppose the original 868 and now they are in love with it? Because 939 got attached to it. That's why they are in love with it and they will accept a little bit of supervision in auditing in order to get this deal. Why not? It's a big deal for them. I'll give a little bit if I can get a ton anytime. End of remarks, I am not in favor of that amendment at all.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Landis, do you wish to close? Can we give him a little attention, please.

SENATOR LANDIS: My guess is that this is a product of the lateness of the hour and the lateness of the session and the fraying of a lot of nerves. That amendment is not underhanded. That is