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Newell, you had requested that everybody be at....now everybody is accounted for. Here comes Senator DeCamp so we are ready to....all right, you are still authorized to accept call ins on shall debate cease.

CLERK: Senator Goll voting yes. Senator Stoney voting yes. Senator Wagner voting yes.

PRESIDENT: Okay, and Senator Barrett is voting yes, so that is enough. Record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 12 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. Debate ceases and we would ask that everyone...would the Sergeant at Arms make sure that everyone stays now till we get a vote on this. The House is under Call and let's let it be under Call long enough to get a vote. Proceed then with....who wants to close, Senator Labeledz, who is going to close for you? Senator Newell will close. Senator Newell, you may close on your motion to return.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President and members of the body, just before I get into the close.

PRESIDENT: Let's have less noise in here too. It is getting increasingly more noisy.

SENATOR NEWELL: I want to correct some things that were said earlier. I did go back and talk to Senator Warner about the credit. He was concerned about the fifty-fifty provisions in his speech and I went back and reminded him that the food tax credit is deducted from the income tax side of the ledger and so therefore there is not that fifty-fifty concern that Senator Warner indicated and he agrees with that. Isn't that right, Senator Warner? Okay. The other thing that I went back and talked to Senator Warner about is that the income tax was twice reduced by this Legislature, once in 1973 per Senator Warner's motion, and then again in 1977. I was referring to....I said in my speech the last time that it was twice reduced and that the second time is when I was in the body and it was reduced for political reasons and that still stands, that statement still stands. In '73 there may not have been a provision to be able to do it but in '77 it was done solely for political reasons. The Legislature wanted to take credit for the reduction. Now the issue before us now is the elimination of the sales tax on food and the provisions of this bill provide for the elimination across the board and it delays those provisions until 4/1 of '83 so that the