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does take 30 votes for reconsideration; if there are no more motions up and if Senator Schimek's does stay up, it certainly will give us a chance to discuss more. However, if there are no more motions up, if the vote is successful, the 30 votes, we will have a vote on Final Reading and that will require 25 votes for passage at that point. I would urge that you reconsider the motion and when we do read the bill I would urge passage of LB 165.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You have heard the closing offered by Senator Hannibal and the question is, shall the Final Reading vote be reconsidered on LB 165? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to reconsider, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion prevails. We are to the...is there an amendment on the desk, please?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Schimek would move to return LB 165 to Select File for specific amendment, and the amendment, Mr. President, reads as follows. (Read Schimek amendment. See page 777 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, what my amendment does in effect is to remove the staggered term provision of this bill which, in essence, I suppose, guts the bill because what is left, as Senator Hannibal said, is just a provision for the redistricting. I am not going to go back into the same arguments that I made for reconsidering on the reconsideration, but just to reiterate that I think that we need think seriously about the four years. One of the other to senators said to me after that discussion that it would also be possible that you could possibly carry, by the charisma of one candidate perhaps, the mayoral candidate, you could carry perhaps seven others into office with you all at one time. This would lead to a mandate kind of atmosphere and would not necessarily be healthy, I don't think, for the political community. I would recommend that you vote in favor of this amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Before recognizing Senators Moore,