

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Because of the electronic malfunction, is there anyone else that would care to speak to the amendment? May I see your hand if you want to speak? Seeing none, Senator Bernard-Stevens, are you prepared to close on your amendment?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yes, and I will delightfully close on the amendment. Members of the body, there are some good things in the amendment that can help the people of the State of Nebraska in regards to cancer. There are some things in the amendment that can help protect our youth, particularly in the purchasing and in the possessing. Those things cannot be found in the bill as it now reads. The amendment strengthens the bill. The amendment will assure the bill's passage and the amendment will get us also onto other things of equal importance if not more importance as General File and Select File continue on. I urge the body to consider that when the amendment and if the amendment is agreed to, we can go back to the dentists who have called all of us and say because of your efforts, because of your efforts in committee in pushing the bill, you have done something not only for oral cancer, but all cancers. You have done something for minors in the state where before the bill didn't. Now through the amendment process and the procedure of the Legislature, it now is included. You've done a good thing for the State of Nebraska. You can all hold your head high. And to Tom Bassett and to other people in the Dental Association and the President-elect, Jim States, from my hometown, North Platte, they have done a good job, and with this amendment, their bill will be stronger and we can all be proud of what we did in a small way for cancer and our youths. I urge the body to adopt the amendment as it is now presented. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. A call of the house has been requested. I see five...five hands? Those in favor of the house going under call say aye. Opposed no. The ayes have it, the house is under call. Members, please report to your seats. Those outside the Chamber, please return to the Chamber. Because of the necessity for voice voting, the Chair would urge you to stay close to the Chamber, stay in your seats if at all possible. We'll be going through this drill for the rest of the morning. Members outside the Chamber, please return to the Chamber, the house is under call. Senators Chambers and McFarland, the house is under call. We have a request for a roll call in reverse order which will be honored. Senators